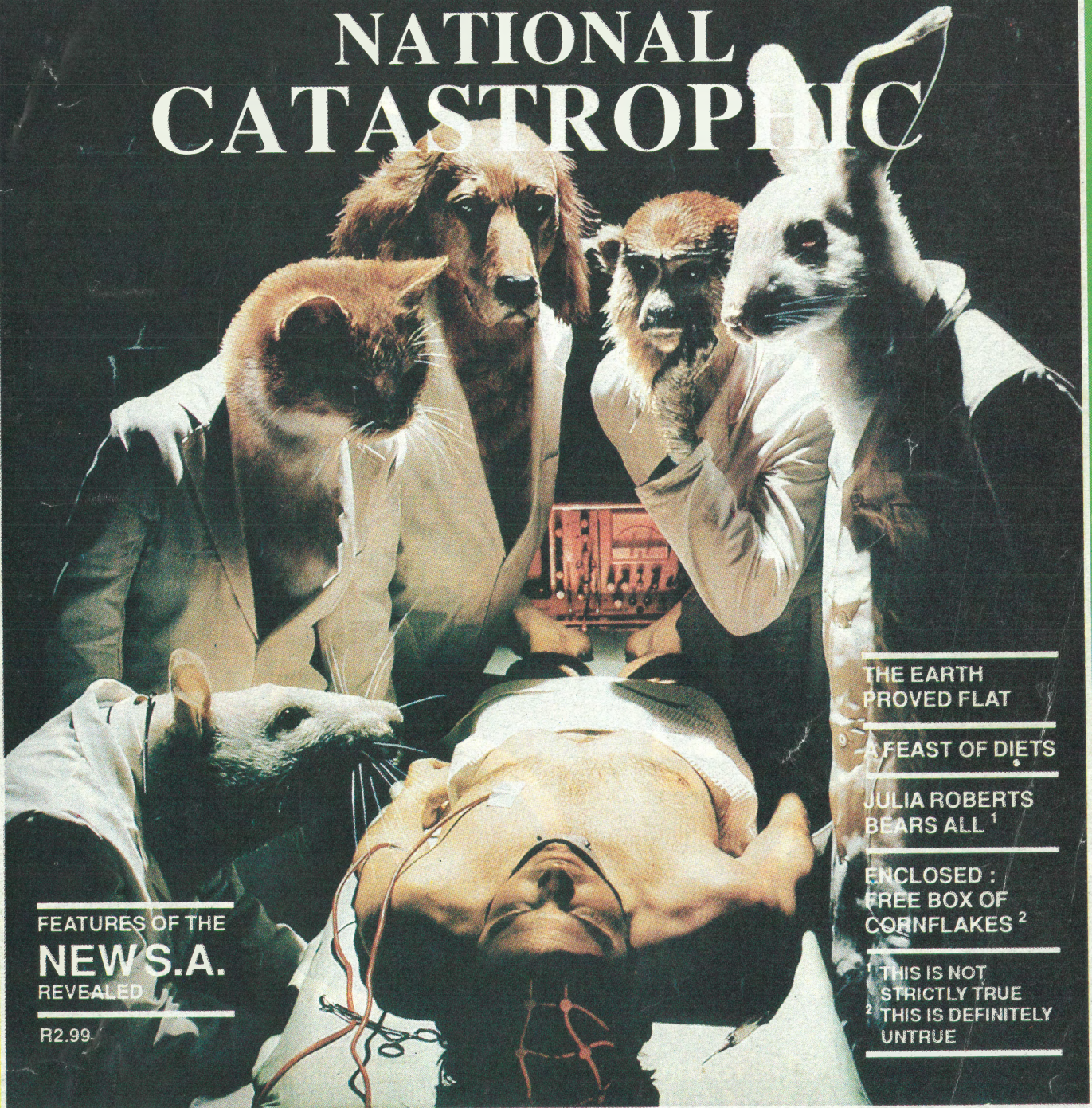


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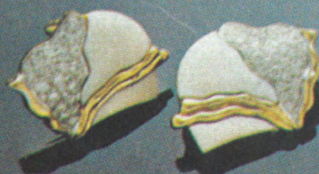
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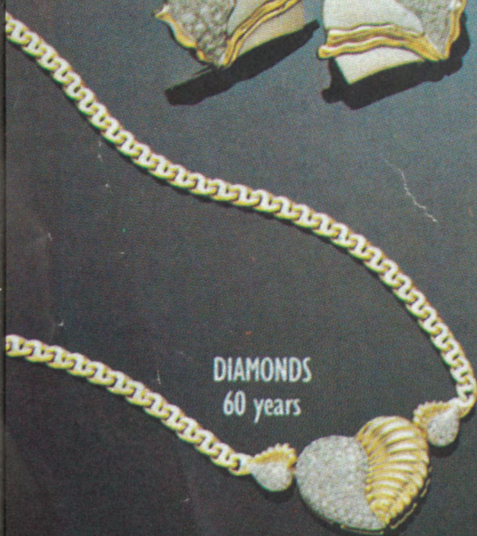
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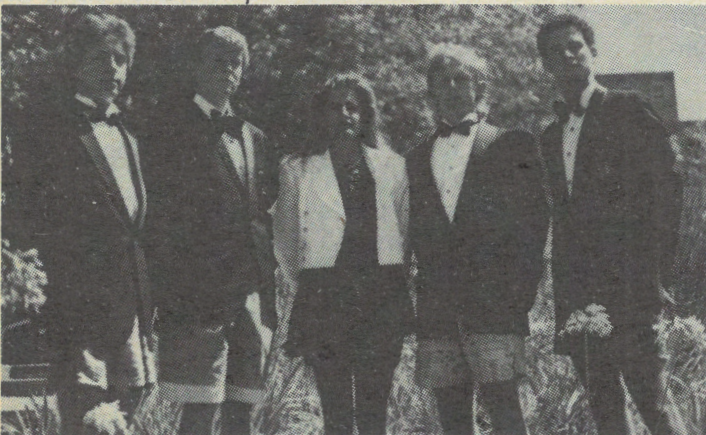
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EDITORIAL

A front elevation of the authors of this catastrophe standing in no particular order.



*Left to Right: Andre Swart Richard Sparg Joanne Tanfield
Alistair Noyce Gavin Gottschalk*

Do you have problems using simple tools such as spoons and safety pins?

Is your idea of a nice time one which glows in the dark? Is your only available entertainment a double date with your grandparents with false teeth.

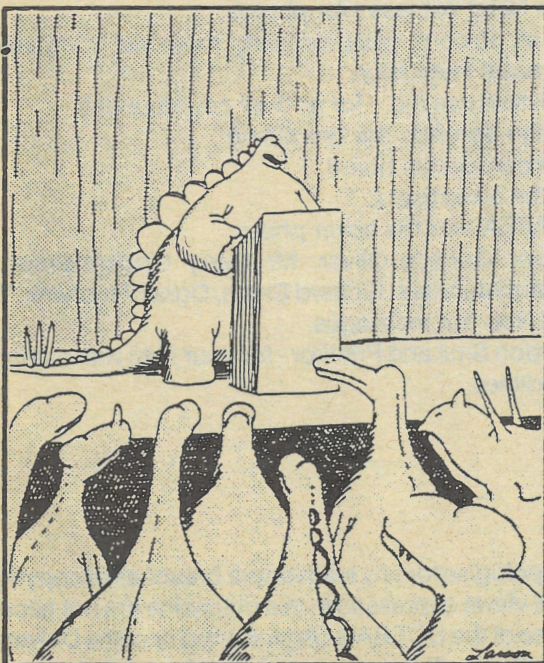
Do you periodically forget your address and where your nose is. (We find it helps to write it on the back of your hand).

If you answered "yes" to any of the above questions, then NATIONAL CATASTROPHIC definitely belongs in your home (or your loo!)

However, despite all that there comes a time in one's life when momentous decisions must be taken. Whether, of course, these are taken by oneself or one's other self (this, obviously, not really being a very clear issue), does not detract from their significance .

Quite recently, in fact, we were called upon (in the line of duty) to make such a decision. The fact that none of us could remember where we'd put our false teeth made absolutely no difference whatsoever. What eventually transpired was that a decision was taken to finish this edition of National Catastrophic. Now we're going to sleep!

Enjoy!
Eds



"The picture's pretty bleak, gentlemen. ... The world's climates are changing, the mammals are taking over, and we all have a brain about the size of a walnut."



A view from Mars of some casual Earthlings lurking in the mid-afternoon sunshine.

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Dublin*

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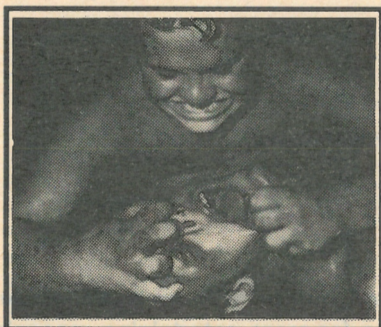
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Daddy!"*

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MEMBERS' FORUM

Dear Editors

On a recent trip to Pofadder, I was amazed to see how straight and flat the roads were. Could they not have built a few mountain passes to make the trip more scenic?

Kind regards,
Bles Bridges

Dear Bles

At the time, the roads department spent vast amounts of money investigating the feasibility of mountain passes, but found due to limited traffic-flow that it would be more cost effective to flatten the whole lot and build straight roads.
Eds

Dear Sax Appeal Editors

I am bored!
Margaret Thatcher

Try and catch some of the action in Gorby's territory- he needs a new Foreign Minister.
Eds

Dear Editors

Shall we help Bush in the Gulf?
Magnus Malan

Dear Magnus

No, just sit tight and monitor things closely on CNN!
Eds

Dear Editors

Are we a Banana Republic?
FW

Dear Mr President

Well....

*The Railways are never on time...
Government Officials drive swanky cars...
We have a great NETWORK of state corporations...
The Bureaucracy is always on leave...
We have a national debt of several Billion...*

Not really!

Eds

Dear Editors

Shall we go globe trotting again?
Pik

Don't be greedy! Treurnicht and Buthelezi haven't had their turn yet.
Eds

Dear Eds

How about a game of tennis sometime?
Boris Bekker

Sure, your place or ours?

Eds

Dear Eds

I would like to learn something about the game of cricket.
Clive Rice

Dear Clive

Ask Trevor Quirk. He seems to know it all.

Dear Eds

Our swimming pool leaks into our garage. Can you help?
The lady from the Morkels advert

Dear Ms Morkels

Indeed...park your car in the pool and swim in the garage.
Eds

Dear Eds

I am very dull. Please help me.
Waiting for inspiration
Van

Dear Van

Go and ask Gerrie Coetzee. He might add some punch to your lifestyle.
Eds

Dear Eds

I so badly want to be a true hermaphrodite. How can you help?
It

Dear It

Consult an Earthworm for advice.
Eds

Dear Eds

I would like to inform you, on behalf of my village that we produced a far more entertaining magazine in our time. And that, despite the fact that we had to chisel the script onto stone. Better Luck next time.
Asterix

Dear Asterix

You've certainly got a lot of "Gaul" making a statement like that! May the sky fall on your head!
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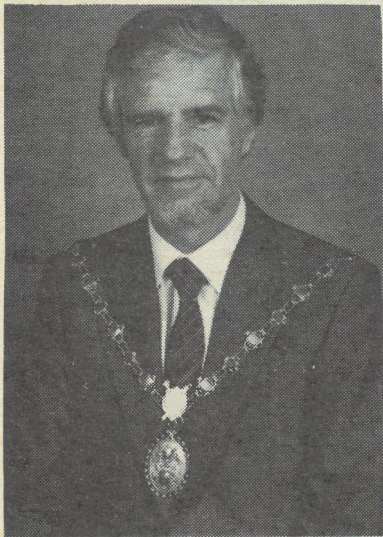


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MESSAGE FROM HIS WORSHIP

THE MAYOR OF CAPE TOWN

ALDERMAN GORDON R OLIVER

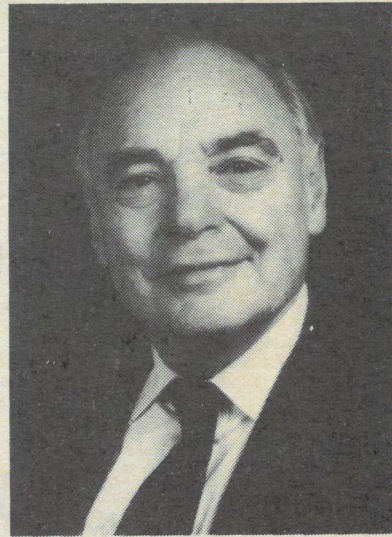
It is a great pleasure for me once gain to identify with UCT Rag in this way.

The concern that it shows for less priviledged people is a very telling measure of a society, and Cape Town is very proud of the University of Cape Town's outstanding record in this regard.

With fun-filled dedication and commitment UCT students put great energy into fundraising for SHAWCO, and 'Sax Appeal' is a vital part of this fundraising drive. I know that the 1991 UCT Rag will be another wonderful success, and I feel sure that, as always, the citizens of Cape Town will respond generously to your appeal.

It remains for me to congratulate and thank the Rag Organising committee for the many months of hard work that have gone into planning and producing 'Sax Appeal'.

ALDERMAN GORDON R OLIVER
MAYOR OF CAPE TOWN



"Might I suggest that by making a small contribution you will assist in unlocking the energy and imagination of youth to address the medical, social and economic problems which plague the disadvantaged communities in the Western Cape."

MESSAGE FROM THE CHANCELLOR

OF UCT

MR H.F. OPPENHEIMER

It is again that time of year when the students of the University of Cape Town appeal to us all to contribute to the coffers of the Student Health and Welfare Centres Organisation. Might I suggest that by making a small contribution you will assist in unlocking the energy and imagination of youth to address the medical, social and economic problems which plague the disadvantaged communities in the Western Cape. This, after all, is a worthy cause to which we should all be generous.

Apart from recommending this magazine to you all, I would also like to compliment everybody involved in the Rag effort. Through sustained effort, UCT Rag has developed from modest beginnings in the 1920's into the foremost student fundraising body in the world and is a source of great inspiration to all.

MR H.F. OPPENHEIMER
CHANCELLOR OF UCT



"...none of the health, educational or social work programmes would be possible without the generous support of the people of Cape Town..."

MESSAGE FROM THE VICE-CHANCELLOR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CAPE TOWN

DR STUART SAUNDERS

The RAG committee of the University of Cape Town has a very important task, that is to raise funds to make it possible for SHAWCO (the Students' Health and Welfare Centre's Organisation) to carry out its important tasks.

SHAWCO'S comprehensive work amongst the less privileged sectors of our community is of vital importance and none of the health, educational or social work programmes would be possible without the generous support of the people of Cape Town and of donor organisations.

Sales of SAX APPEAL make up a very important part of the funds raised by the RAG committee and I would like to thank all those who bought the magazine for supporting RAG and SHAWCO by doing so.

I would also like to thank all the students who worked so hard to make this edition of SAX APPEAL a success.

I wish the RAG committee every success in the important task they have undertaken and I hope that the sales of SAX APPEAL reach a new high.

DR STUART SAUNDERS

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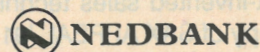
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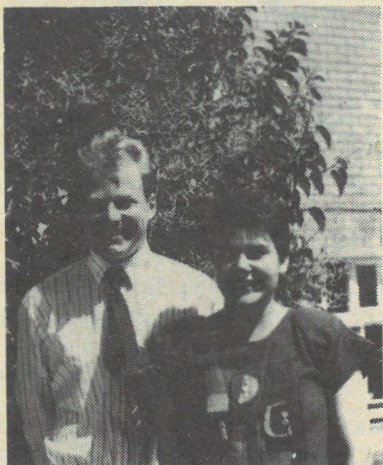
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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRS OF THE UCT RAG ORGANISATION

**ROB SPEEDY
AND
TARA TURKINGTON**

Well, you've done it again! Whether voluntarily or because of a student-invented sales technique, you have purchased your copy of SAX APPEAL '91.

Not only does SAX APPEAL provide a splash of humour to brighten your day, but it is one of UCT Rag's largest fundraising portfolios for SHAWCO.

With the new community centre in Khayelitsha in full operation since April last year, SHAWCO is on the verge of launching two new projects: Our community health worker project in Khayelitsha will actively involve members of the community itself in the prevention of health problems. The SHAWCO Tutorial Education Programme (STEP) is due to start in March this year and will bring disadvantaged scholars onto UCT campus where better facilities exist.

Without the goodwill and support of the Cape Town community, all these projects would not be possible and we thank you for this.

Congratulations to the Editors for the production of a superb "National Catastrophic", and to our committee who make Rag's 45 portfolios successful in conjunction with students who get out there and sell magazines, build floats and get involved generally, our sincere thanks.

It remains for us to thank our sponsors and advertisers, and, especially Pick 'n Pay who are the major sponsor of SAX APPEAL.

We thank you for sparing some cash to aid us in our efforts and wish you happy reading.

Rob Speedy Tara Turkington

**ROB SPEEDY and TARA TURKINGTON
RAG CHAIRS**



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE STUDENTS' REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

RICHARD SMITH

Thank you for giving in to the annual relentless hounding of students and buting this edition of SAX APPEAL. Your contribution to RAG will benefit thousands of Capetonians through the work that SHAWCO does.

At a time when so many people are realising that the long term damage that Apartheid has caused it is gratifying to be part of something aimed at addressing some of the imbalances. SHAWCO has become an important part of many communities. By working with elected community representatives it is committed to focussing on the needs that the communities themselves identify.

SHAWCO is involved in a range of projects, each one of them contributing to building a new South Africa.

Students throughout the country need to become involved in work like SHAWCO's in order to ensure that the future offers all South Africans new opportunities and a new way of life.

In the mean time though, grin and bear us, SAX APPEAL is a day when students leave the mountain to rule the streets, run amock and generally exhibit a zest for life. Be thankful that it only happens once a year, dig deep in your pockets and you will probably need to take the sometimes irritating antics with a bucketful of salt.

Thanks again.

Richard Smith

**RICHARD SMITH
SRC PRESIDENT**

“To do is to be”

-Rousseau

“To be is to do”

-Sartre

“Doobedoobedoo”

-Sinatra

— sustained growth through diversification.

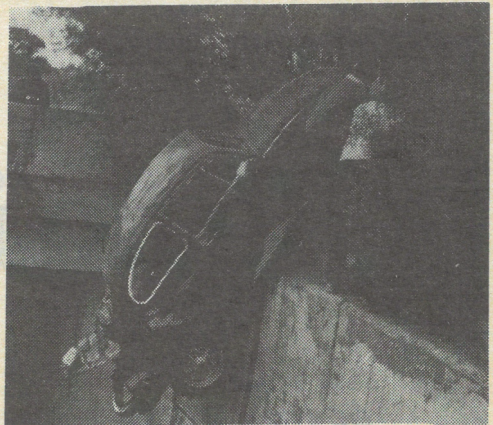


TRANSPORT

The inefficiency of the Railways and the traffic congestion caused in our Cities has led to a major transport revolution in South Africa. Its success story leads experts to believe that similar measures are likely to be adopted by the rest of the World...

National Catastrophic sent a team "On Assignment" to the "New South Africa". They returned in high spirits, overjoyed with what they saw. Instead of Mazdas chasing Mercedes, BMW's following bicycles, or Golfs racing traffic lights, our team was greeted by a far more soothing sight: MINIBUSES, Minibuses, and more minibuses.

What a pleasure to no longer be judged by the car you drive. Instead of battling for social status you can just bump your way round town in your minibus. A great feeling of 'esprit de corps' is derived from driving a minibus and being one of the gang. These feelings of camaraderie can run quite high and those who choose to stick with their own cars can feel quite out of it. In fact, very out of it.



This unfortunate driver paid the price for daring to be different. (No, this is not Prince Andrew back from a stag party).



The Bakkie belongs to us and the insolent Opel Monza was destroyed moments later by furious minibus drivers.

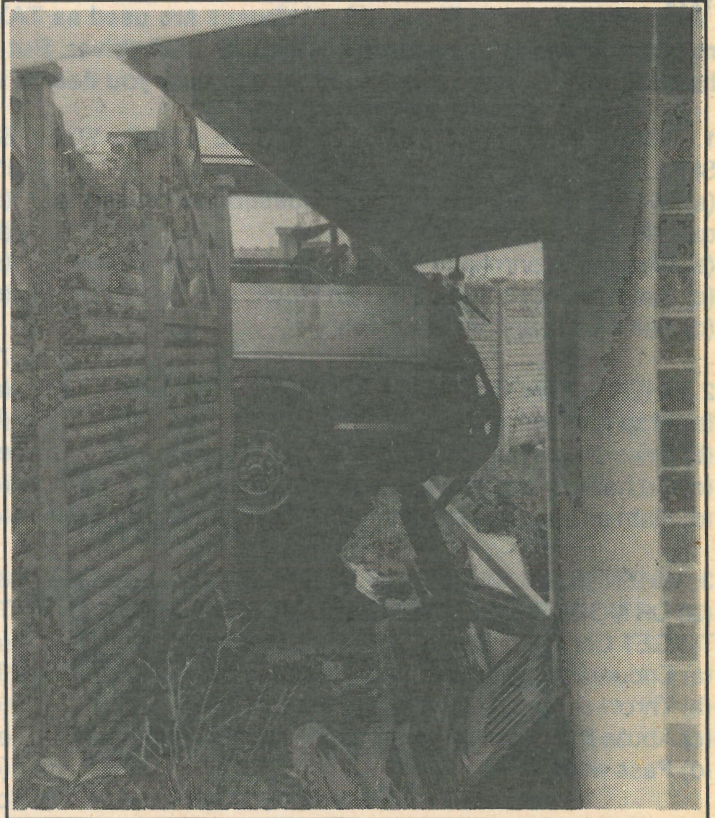
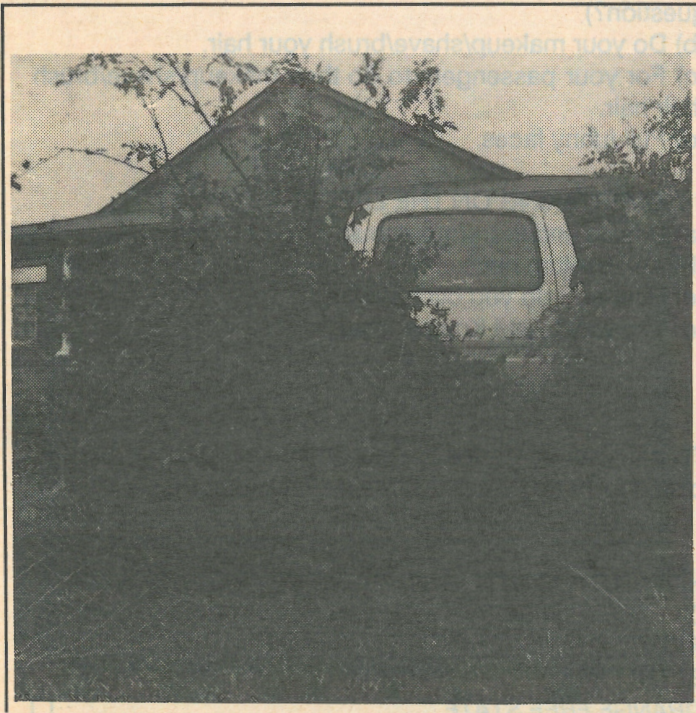
TRANSPORT

As you get into the whole minibus scene you will find the list of advantages simply grows and grows. Things that you previously thought were necessary soon become superfluous. Indicating to change lanes, waiting for a gap in traffic before barging in, stopping for red robots, throwing litter in a bin and not out the window, pulling over to collect passengers, limiting the number of passengers to 15-all these and many more elements of road etiquette become unnecessary when you drive a minibus. In fact, they can be replaced by efficient and regular use of your hooter.

That is not all. Parking altogether ceases to be a problem. That's right-no more tight spaces to get out of, no more meters to fill, and no more stupid parking fines. With a minibus you can merely ease into any (seriously any) available space. Let us take a look at these two seasoned drivers' faultless technique:

Firstly (*below*) we have the classic 'any bush will do' approach. When using this method you will find that a small detail like a fence is of absolutely no consequence. This is demonstrated in the picture. Note how well the driver judged the bush and headed straight for the middle.

Secondly (*top right*) we have an extreme version of the 'go until you can feel the wall on your bumper'. Drivers who use this technique are generally very considerate. Not wanting to have their minibus sticking out into the road,



they head directly up onto the sidewalk. In this way they avoid blocking the traffic. Note that while this minibus is equipped with one, a bull-bar is not essential. In fact a few dents in the bodywork can enhance your image as a *bona fide* minibus driver. Using these two as examples, National Catastrophic urges you to get out in your minibus and see what sort of parking spaces you can create.

Do not despair if at first there don't seem to be any poles, pavements, walls, hedges, or even any free-standing bushes immediately at hand. As a minibus driver you will soon learn that double-parking for hours is a perfectly acceptable option. In fact, some feel that it should really be included under "creative parking".

Having begun to master "the minibus approach to driving" (this includes, of course, your new improved parking technique), all you lack, (apart from a drivers licence) is a name for your minibus. To this end we have a few suggestions: *Lethal Weapon*, *Zola Budd*, *Freeway Facist*, *Mowbray Monster*, *Backdoor Bandit*, *Reckless Ranger*... Be creative and remember when you crash your first minibus, your second adopts the same name, but with a suffix of two (and then three...four etc.) □

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QUESTIONNAIRE

With the minibus revolution apparently close at hand, you may well be wondering how you will fare. As we all know, most (if not all) minibuses are used as TAXIS. It thus seems that the logical way to get into the minibus scene is to become a MINIBUS TAXI driver. But will you cope as a taxi driver? National Catastrophic has helpfully devised a questionnaire to help you decide whether or not you are a potential minibus taxi driver:

1. WHEN YOU PULL OUT FROM THE CURB, YOU SHOULD:

- (a) Definitely indicate (stupid question-what sort of questionnaire is this?!!)
- (b) Give the wrong hand signal to confuse other drivers.
- (c) See how much traffic you can block.
- (d) See if you can cause a crash.

2. WHEN YOU APPROACH A RED ROBOT YOU SHOULD:

- (a) Stop (get serious!)
- (b) Drive on, paying careful attention to steering.
- (c) Go halfway and block the other traffic.
- (d) Slam on brakes and thereby throw everyone to the floor.

3. WHEN YOUR MINIBUS IS CROWDED TO CAPACITY (30 OR MORE PASSENGERS) AND MORE PEOPLE WANT TO GET ON, YOU SHOULD:

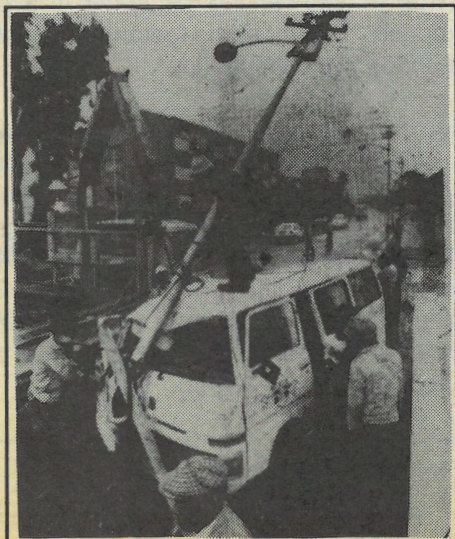
- (a) Encourage them to force themselves on.
- (b) Throw some chickens out of the window.
- (c) Abuse the people who are being squashed to death.
- (d) Pass wind.

4. WHEN CHANGING LANES, YOU SHOULD:

- (a) Just move across without looking or indicating.
- (b) Look so as to make sure you scrape another car.
- (c) Use vulgar hand signals to insult the other drivers.
- (d) See how many pedestrians you can hit.

5. ON SEEING THIS PICTURE, YOUR FIRST REACTION IS:

- (a) Stupid pole.
- (b) Stupid sidewalk.
- (c) Damn, missed the pedestrian!
- (d) Bull's eye!!!



6. WHEN YOU FIND THAT YOUR BUS IS BLOCKING AN INTERSECTION (AS OFTEN HAPPENS), YOU SHOULD:

- (a) Proceed with caution.
- (b) Ignore the cross traffic.
- (c) Lay on your hooter as if you had right of way.
- (d) Gesticulate wildly while swearing in a foreign language.

7. WHEN IT IS RAINING, YOU SHOULD:

- (a) Drive faster.
- (b) Stop just far enough away from the waiting people to ensure that they get wet.
- (c) Go right past the people waiting in the rain.
- (d) Aim for puddles in order to wet waiting passengers.

8. WHEN AN OLD LADY, LADEN WITH PARCELS, TRIES TO GET ONTO YOUR MINIBUS, YOU SHOULD:

- (a) Yell at her for being slow.
- (b) Tell her that she cannot bring her surfboard.
- (c) Pass remarks about how old people make it tough for everyone else.
- (d) Wait until she is half on (and half off) and then pull off.

9. THE REAR VIEW MIRROR IS THERE TO:

- (a) Keep an eye on what's behind you (is this a trick question?)
- (b) Do your makeup/shave/brush your hair.
- (c) For your passengers to do their makeup/shave/brush their hair.
- (d) Pull funny faces.

10. OVERTAKING ON THE LEFT IS:

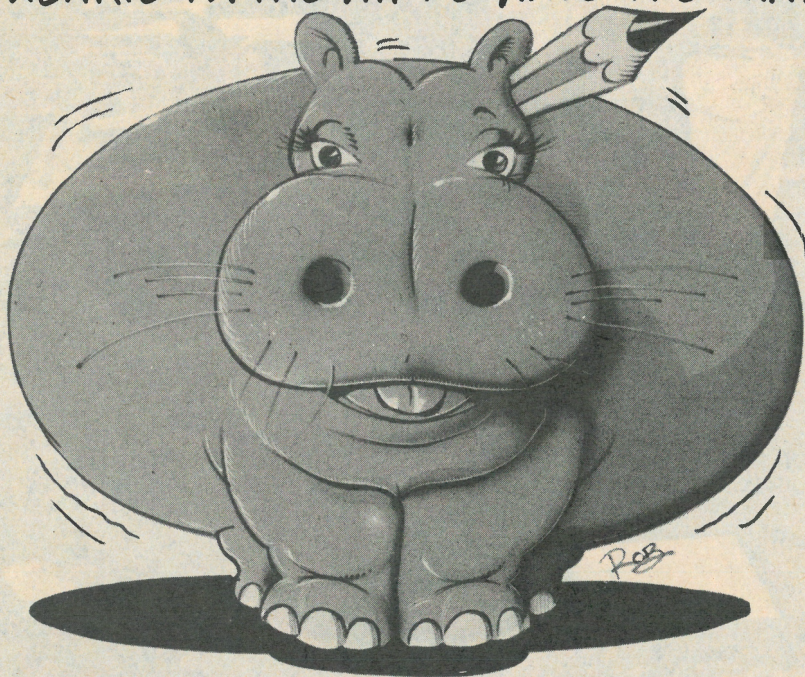
- (a) Unsafe and therefore should never be done.
- (b) An absolute necessity.
- (c) How else do you overtake?
- (d) The way David Kramer does it.

To get your score for the questionnaire send your completed form and a self-addressed envelope to:

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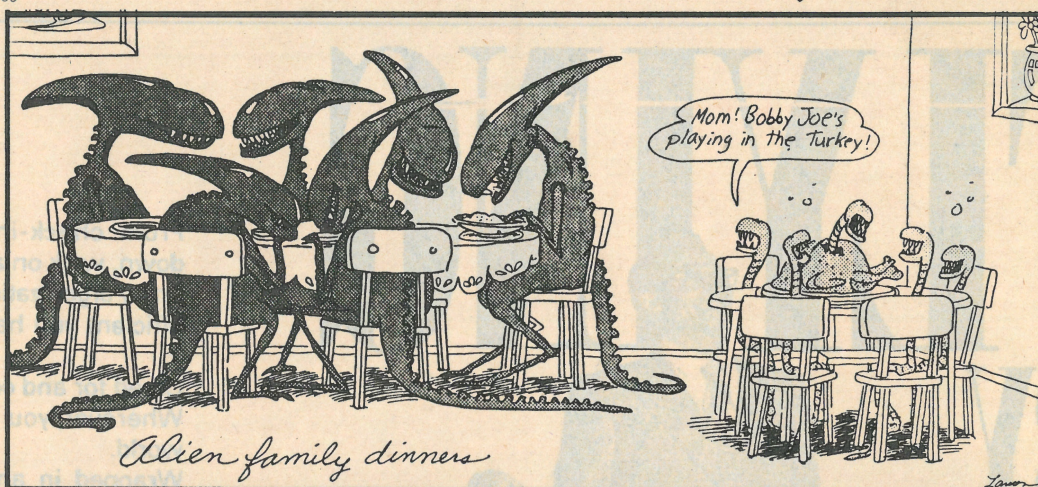
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the entire N. American Western seaboard to quiver like a jelly he was there. For this edition Rip traveled to Africa's deep South where seismic shock waves indicate a quake of cosmic dimensions which threaten to knock that part of the continent sideways.

He spoke to Fitter and Turner,
husband of one and father of
seven, Bees van Tonder.

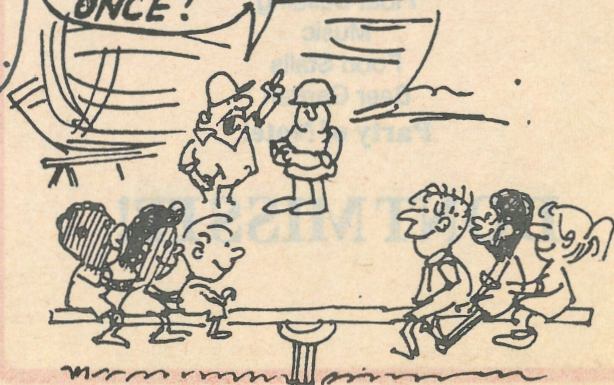
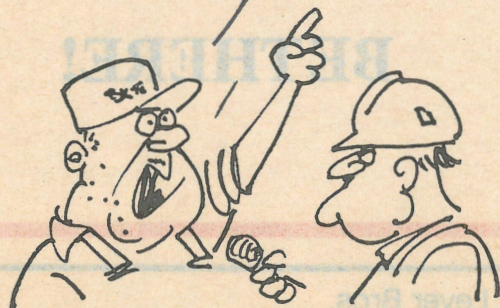
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WHEN THE HEADLINES HIT ME LIKE
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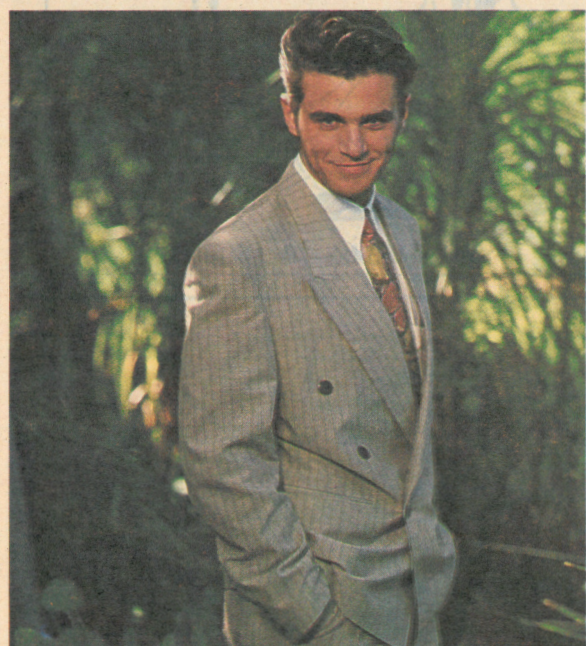
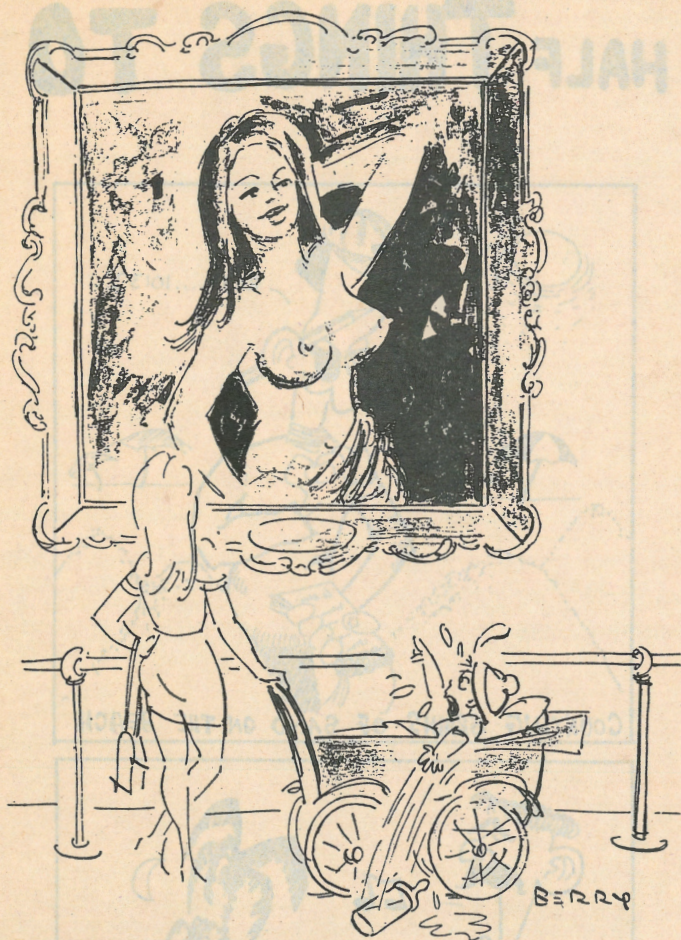
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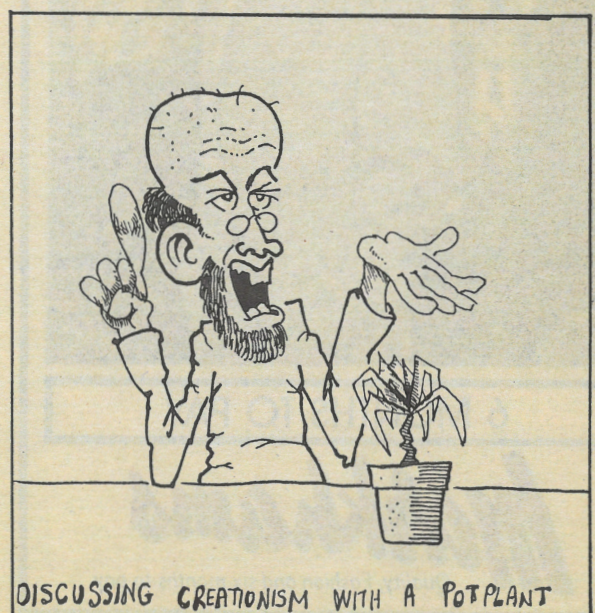
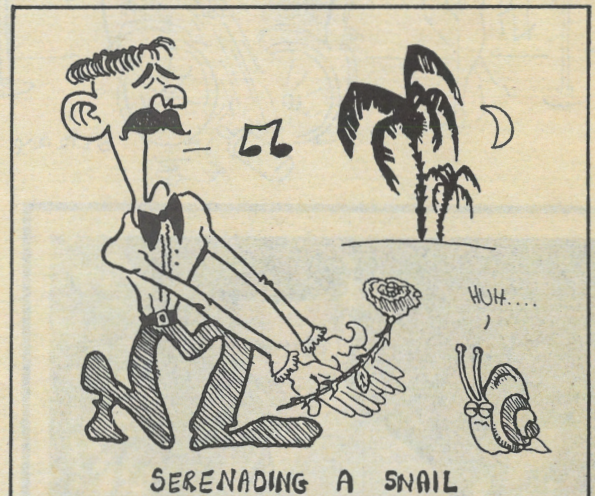
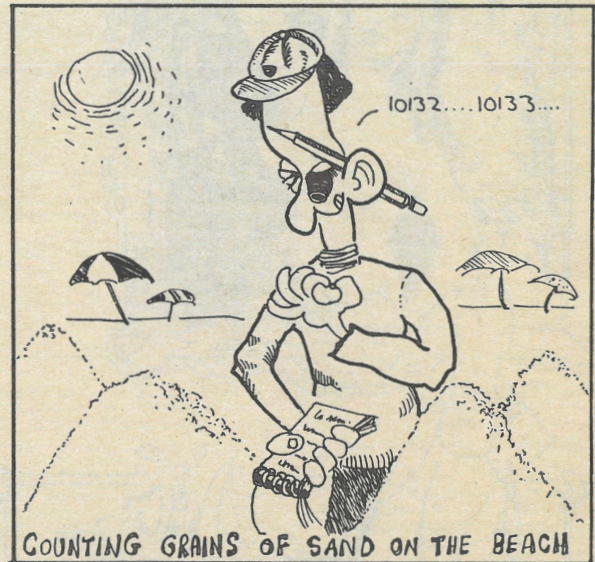
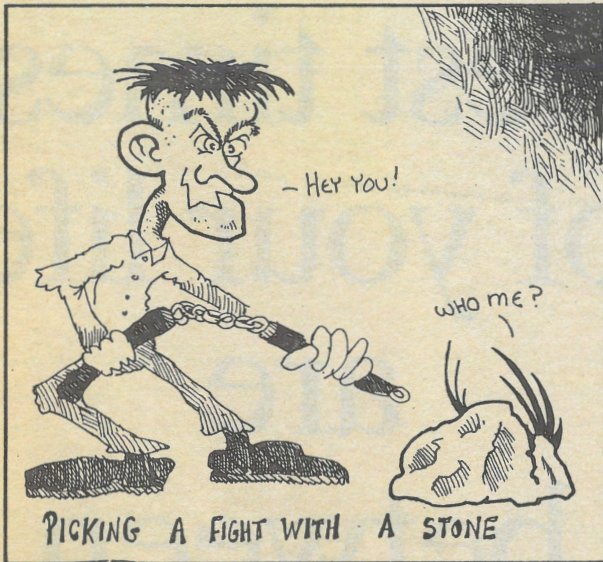
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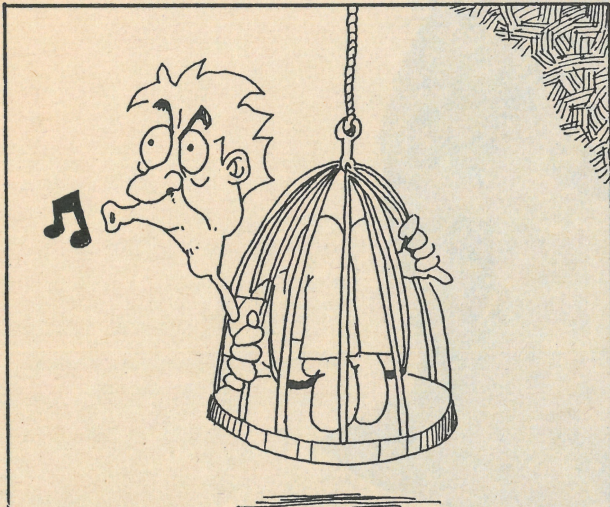
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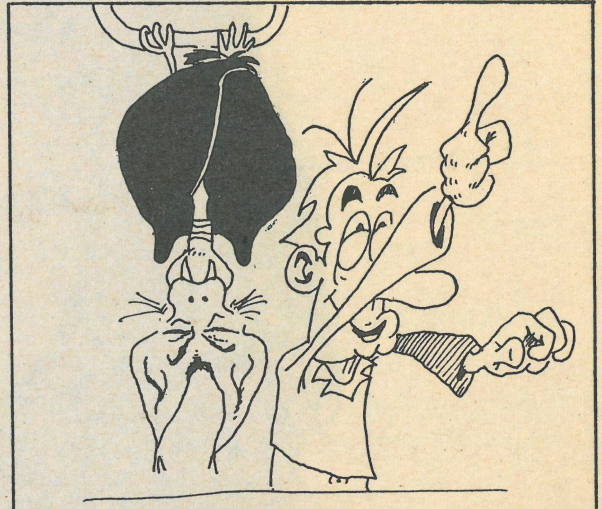
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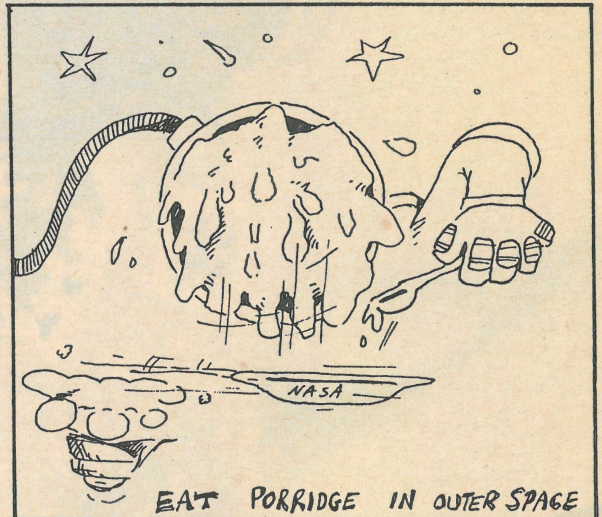
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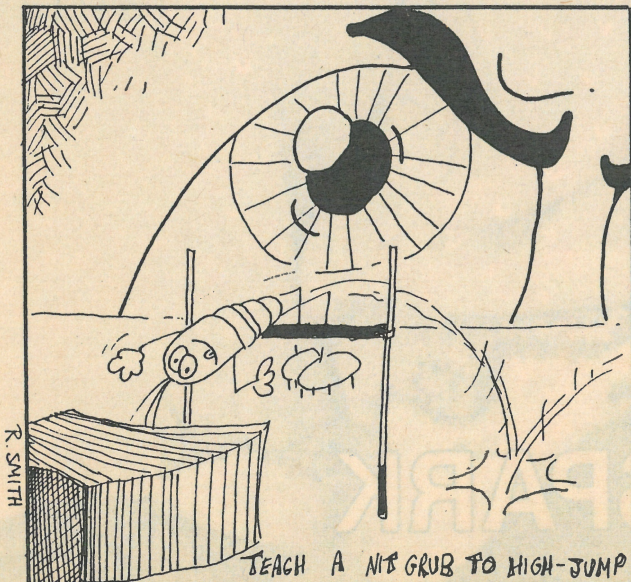
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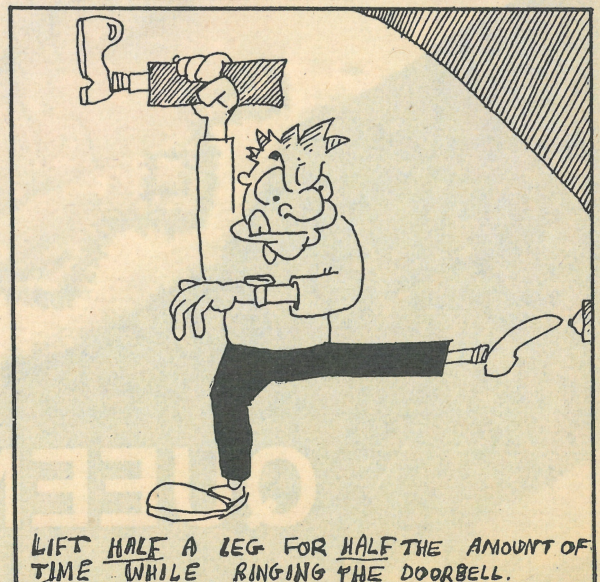
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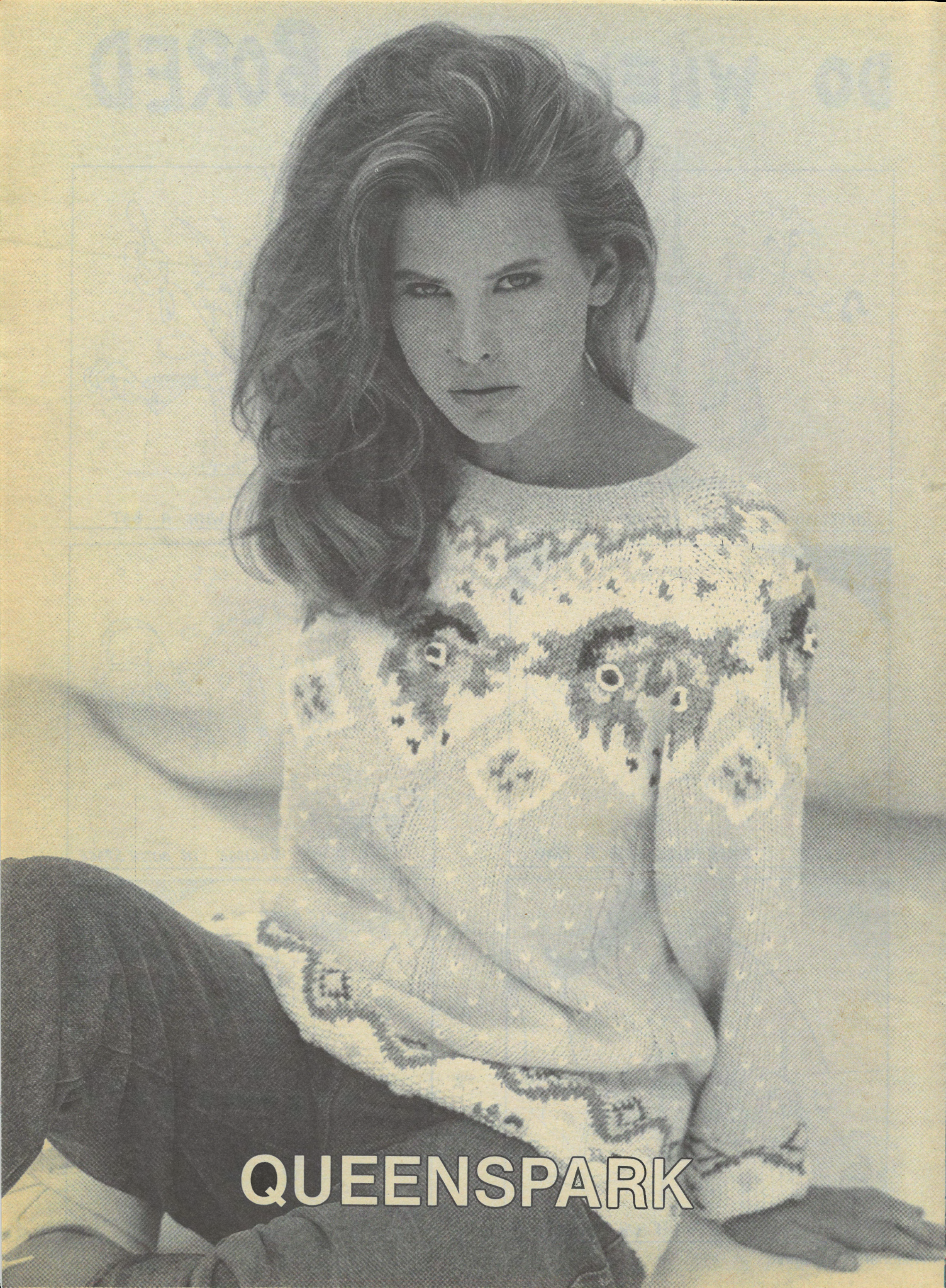
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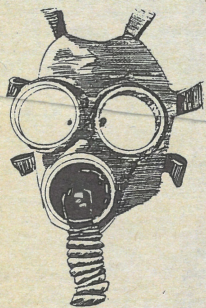
EVERYBODY NOSE



MARCH 9 IS RED NOSE DAY

ENVIRONMENT

THE PRISTINE ATMOSPHERE OF THE "NEW SOUTH AFRICA" STILL RETAINS THAT AWESOME BEAUTY AND SPECIAL AURA.



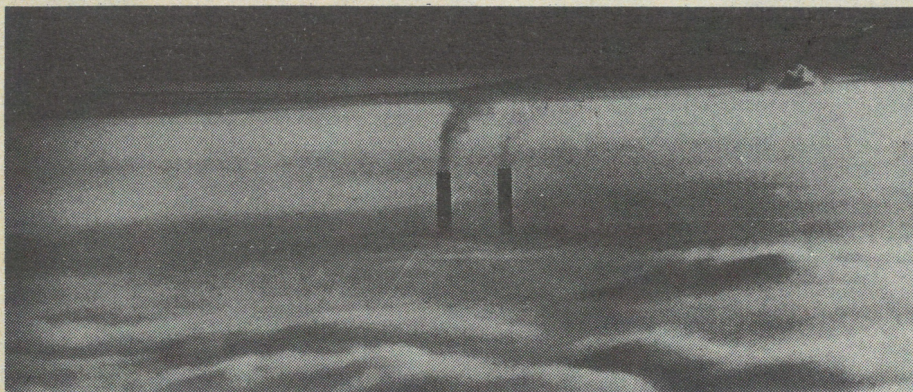
Our team of curious and intrepid reporters visited the urban sprawls of the "New South Africa", expecting to see...well, they weren't quite sure what they were expecting to see, but they were surprised by it anyway. Quite

simply, the atmosphere has taken on totally new dimensions, managing in a most profound manner to tickle and tingle all the senses. Strange sensations, yet most gratifying. Favourites amongst the jetsetters and social high flyers of the "New South African generation" include squatting in a gutter in a downpour of acid rain (the burning sensation on the scalp and consequent unique hairstyle are apparently most rewarding) and taking a part-time job in an asbestos factory (the inhaled dust causing a lovely tickling sensation followed by wonderfully painful tumours of the lung).

The team took a look at that ever-complex network of highways, roads, freeways and bospaaie, to see just how motor vehicles of the future had improved their poisonous gas output. They found that one need no longer struggle to find a satisfying gulp of carbon monoxide. It is so readily available (street value: 3 cents per cubic metre) that people have been looking for new highs for several years now. So much so in fact, that when some policemen bust a shipment of the stuff recently, they chose rather to simply release it into the atmosphere rather than breathe it in themselves!

It has since been discovered that a brilliant entrepreneur of noteworthy reputation is coming to the rescue of all those in search of highs who are now bored with nitrogen quantoxide and hydrogen peroxide. His name is B. Daring, and he has based his sport on a relatively tame (now obsolete and archaic) thrill-seeking exercise-jumping off bridges. His adaptation involves leaping into a free fall from

either of these specially designed noxious gas-spewing towers, and plummeting to the cushioning softness of probably the densest layer of smog the world has had the pleasure of seeing. Not only do these potent gases absorb your fall (before bouncing you up for the return journey), but they kill just the right number of brain cells and initiate just the right number of lung carcinomas to make the high cost of the jump worthwhile (left).



Here we see the industrial tower jumping site, just east of the new Mossel Bay sulphur dioxide producing plant.

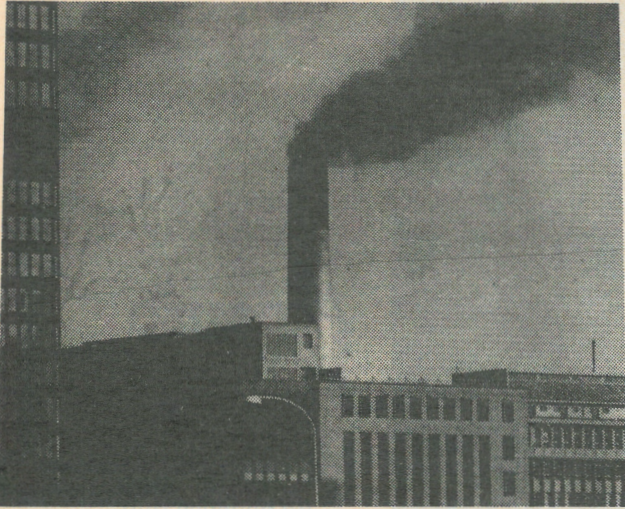
The only drawback, of course, is that delightfully harmful substances and exquisitely damaged ecosystems that had, in the earlier days, no longer been classified as 'rare', but were still in the titillating phase of becoming pleasantly the vogue, are now quite boringly commonplace. These include clouds of all the sulphur varieties, vast piles of non-biodegradable nappies, and enormous tracts of deforested, eroded and parched land. New holes in the ozone layer are appearing at a rate that can, quite honestly, only be described as tedious.

What our team found most pleasing to see was the positive effect big business has had on the average person in the street. It was always understood that big business would exert considerable influence in the transition from 'old' to 'new' South Africa, but the ultimate results were indeed outstanding (*Overleaf*).

Yes, in the 'New South Africa' even Joe Bloggs can contribute to making his own atmosphere more breathable.

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ENVIRONMENT



Here we see a private home-owner with his very own noxious gas-producing plant. Note: the latest home designs are based exclusively on Cold War East European architecture.

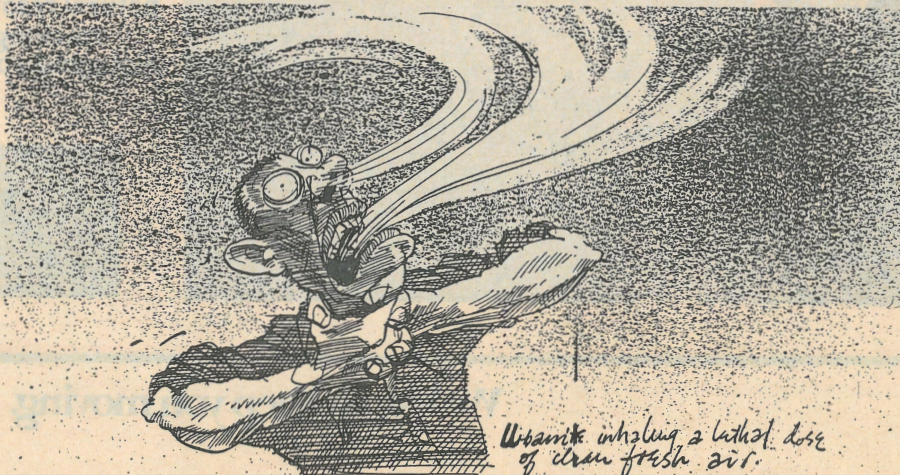


Here we see the leader of SRAAP (Social Rejects Against Air Pollution) with special anti-assassination gear. The mask only lets in noxious gases and prevents the inhalation of fresh air.

However, it must be understood that even in the New South Africa, the manipulation of our beautiful environment, and the abuse thereof for criminal purposes, can, and does, occur! (our team was shocked to hear this). The security services informed us that the latest technique for poisoning somebody (a product of a very sick mind, they add) and common in assassinations of prominent 'anti-pollution' activists, is the administering of an extremely lethal dose of FRESH AIR! Not much is required (0.35 cubic millimeters to be precise), and it acts far more quickly than either cyanide, strychnine, or the sight of a healthy tree. The victim suffers from a severe tightening of the respiratory passages, followed by spontaneous combustion therein due to the abnormally high levels of oxygen within the air. The victim eventually blows up-not a pretty site (Top Right).

It has subsequently been discovered (via a journalistic coup on the part of the National Catastrophic team) that the SRAAP leaders and their confederates are actually the psychopaths who devised this new murder technique-if their campaign for fresh air wins through, they will successfully manage to murder everybody!

All in all though, the 'New South Africa's' atmosphere still retains its delicacy. No more disgustingly sick sea air and frighteningly scented mountain breezes to distort the minds (and noses) of our children. Rather, good wholesome muck pervades, and the New South Africa can look forward to a fresh, clean start. □



Uitank inhaling a lethal dose of clean fresh air.

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THE FAR SIDE OF LIFE

A TRIBUTE TO THE MOUNTAIN PEOPLE...

A matie bought a pair of water skis - now he spends all his time looking for water with a slope.

Two maties were trying to watch TV, but could see nothing. After a while they realised it must be because they had forgotten to turn it on. Luckily they both saw the funny side.

Piet woke up bright and early, got dressed and went downstairs for breakfast. After breakfast he packed his books and lunch into his satchel and set off for school. Imagine his surprise when he got there and realised he was a 45 year old unemployed Matie graduate.

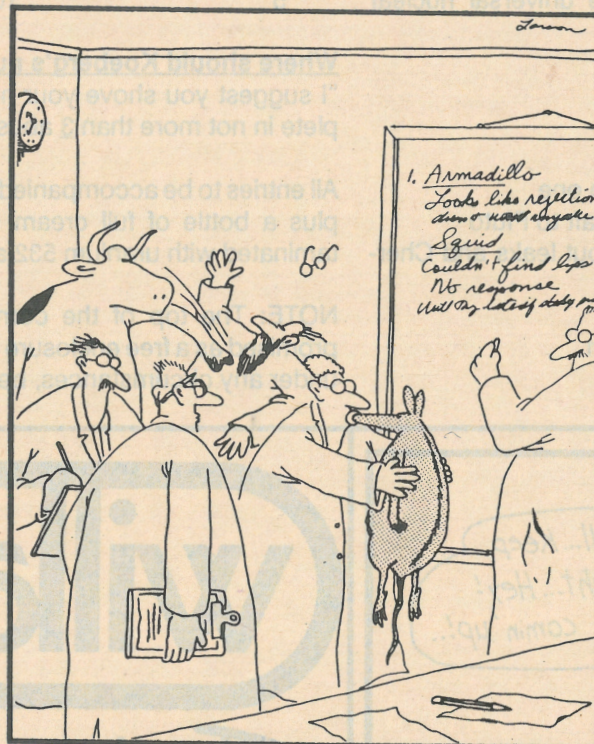
At a Maties building clinic, a student complained to the lecturer: "These nails won't go into the wood."
"Of course not," said the foreman, "you're hammering them in head first. These nails are for the other side of the wall."

Gert and Stoffel, both matie graduates, landed jobs at a sawmill. Just before lunch Gert yelled: "Stoffel, I lost my finger."
"Have you now?" replied Stoffel. "And how did you manage that?"

"Oh, I just touched this big spinning thing here like thi...damn, there goes another one."

A young maties girl went to her doctor and asked for some form of contraception. The doctor prescribed the pill. He was surprised a month later when the girl returned, asking for a different form of contraception. "What's wrong with the pill," asked the doctor.
"It keeps falling out," answered the girl.

ONE FINE DAY IN A MATIE LABORATORY...



Testing whether or not animals kiss.

A Matie rushed into a pub in a rather agitated state. "Does anyone own a large black cat with a white collar?" he asked rather nervously. There was no reply.
"Does anyone own a large black cat with a white collar?", he repeated, raising his voice. Still no answer.
"Ag nee," he muttered, "I must have run over the Dominee!"

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COMPETITIONS

KELLOGG'S FANTASTIC NUCLEAR ENERGY BREAKFAST COMPETITION

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Second Prize: 1500 portable car geiger counters

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Rules and Instructions:

Here is a list of all the advantages of nuclear energy. Complete the table, showing us which you feel are the most important-in descending order. Please use optimal skill for judgement. Thereafter, complete the universal nuclear energy slogan.

A: Cleaner than oil

B: Kills people

C: The Americans use it

D: PW Botha moved further away from one

E: Cheaper than sending a manned craft to Pluto

F: The public need never find out about leaks and Chernobyl- type disasters

G: Greenpeace are against it

H: Won't evaporate if left out in the sun

I: Lichtenstein doesn't have one

J: Affects parts of the body that other cancers can't quite reach

Complete table below e.g. if you feel 'kills people' is the most important advantage, place 'B' opposite '1' and so on.

1	6
2	7
3	8
4	9
5	10

Where should Koeberg's nuclear waste be dumped?

"I suggest you shove your nuclear waste (complete in not more than 3 abusive words)

All entries to be accompanied by 5000 corn flake pack tops plus a bottle of full cream (not skim or 2%) milk contaminated with uranium 532 and potassium 901.

NOTE: The top of the cornflake pack that was falsely promised as a free enclosure with this publication may not, under any circumstances, be used. ☐



Back-hump drivers





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NUTRITION

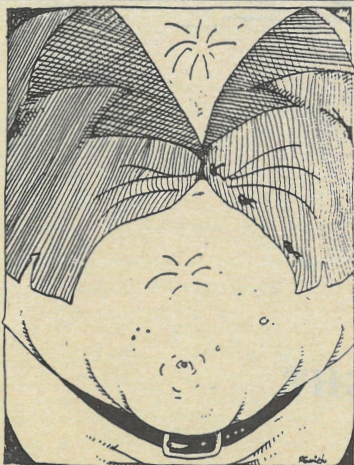
A FEAST OF DIETS (HOW TO LOSE THAT EXTRA WIEGHT)

It can be a complete catastrophe to be overweight, fat and indeed flabby. To aid those fighting the battle of the bulge we have (ever so thoughtfully) included a copy of Mahatma Ghandi's award-winning diet.

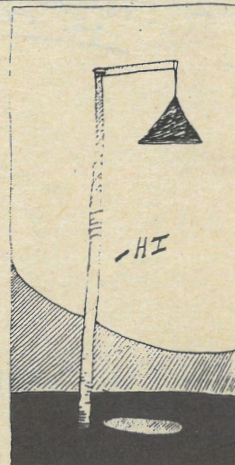
GHANDI'S REVOLUTIONARY DIET

(Guaranteed to lose 20kg within one week)

Monday	Breakfast	Half cup weak tea
	Lunch	Half a prune pip (suck for ten seconds)
	Supper	Roast leg of budgie (oven roast)
Tuesday		3ml prune juice to gargle
	Breakfast	Chopped crumbs of one slice burned toast
	Lunch	1 doughnut hole without sugar
Wednesday		Read a recipe for roast turkey- READ ONLY!
	Breakfast	1 pigeon egg (boiled)
	Lunch	6 paw-paw seeds (seeded)
Thursday		Bee's knees and mosquito wrists marinated in vinegar
	Breakfast	10 tomato pips
	Lunch	Belly button of one orange (navel)
Friday		3 potato eyes cut in blocks
	Breakfast	2 crayfish feelers-suck only
	Lunch	1 goldfish fin-slightly roasted
Saturday		Soup made up with jellyfish bone
	Breakfast	4 chopped banana pips
	Lunch	1 boiled butterfly liver
Sunday		1 toasted mosquito leg (half portion)
	Breakfast	Pickled turtle dove tongue
	Lunch	Prime rib of frog
Monday	Supper	Roasted grasshopper
	Morning	Arrange funeral



Before



After

NUTRITION

This may of course be too gradual for some of you really flabby types. For those who want to shed those unsightly kilos in minutes we present:

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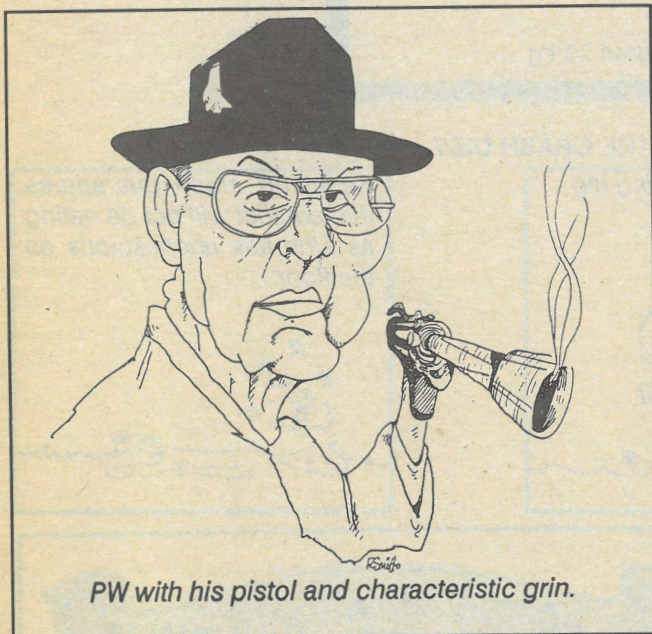
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SPECIAL DIETS

PW's FABULOUS FINGER DIET

In our tireless quest for the perfect diet, National Catastrophic sent a team "on assignment" to Wilderness to the famed farm "Ankor", home of EX-state president and two-time Vrystaat long-distance, bare-back, pistol-holding champion - PW BOTHA.



PW with his pistol and characteristic grin.

tance wained and he told all to our eager reporters. "It's quite simple", he explained, "I just follow my finger diet".

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS

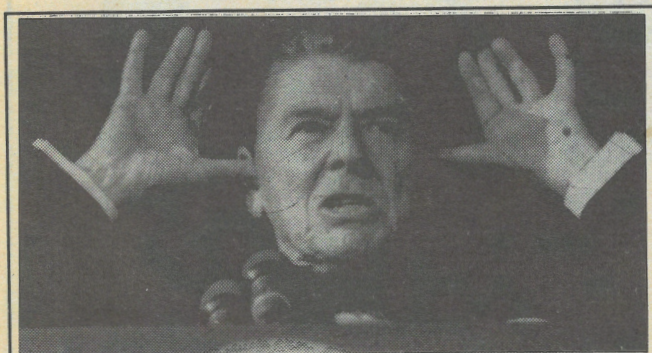
When hunger strikes, eat as much as you want, as often as you want to. However, (and here's the crux) between meals you must continually wiggle, waggle, wingle, point and shake your forefinger. (See any PW speech for details). If you religiously do this, you will be constantly exercising, and will therefore stay in great shape.

The beauty of this diet is that you can alter it to suit your lifestyle. Businessmen may opt for the surreptitious "wiggle in the pocket" method. Some people may even prefer to wiggle their finger around in their nose, or even their ear.

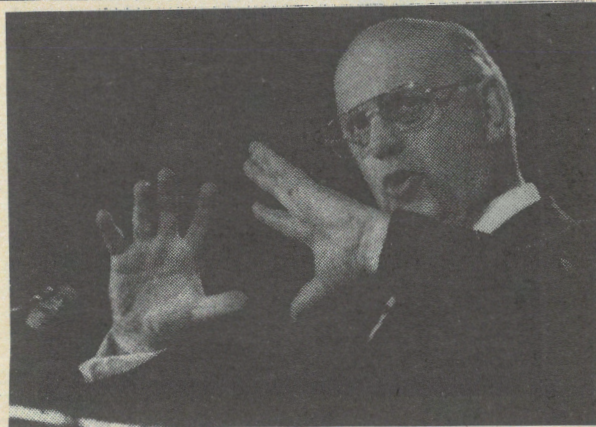
Having revealed his diet, PW felt it was an opportune moment to clear up a number of grey areas: "People used to think I wiggled and waved my forefinger during speeches for effect. This is untrue. I was really just following my diet.

To find out more about the nuances and special finger pointing techniques of "PW's Finger Diet", buy his book "My Finger Pointing Diet". In it you will learn how to realise your full potential using this unique method of dieting. "My Finger Pointing Diet" follows PW's last bestseller "Retiring Gracefully".

Our aim was to discover, just how he keeps his athlete's body in such good shape. At first the great man was hesitant about sharing his well-kept secret. But after a bowl of potjiekos and some idle chatter about Jukskei his reluc-



Here we see how Ronald Reagan has altered the diet to match his needs.



In this picture, taken from his book, PW demonstrates how after a heavy meal he uses all 10 fingers at once. By doing this, you can achieve the same results, 10 times as fast.

SPECIAL DIETS

So far, the response to "PW's Finger Diet" has been outstanding. People from all walks of life, all over the world have hailed PW's diet as the greatest thing since safe sex.



"It's simply the best!"



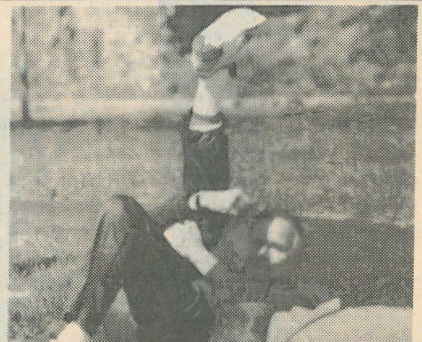
"It's so good, I think I'll use it as party policy."

Following the huge success of his diet, a confident PW issued a challenge to anyone, anywhere, to find a faster, more effective way of losing weight. As expected, the reigning, left-handed, volley ball collecting champion, George Bush (who is also President of the USA) was the first to respond.

The aim of the competition is to lose as many kilograms as fast as possible. All weight loss must be the result of the individual's own effort. George opts for the "leg-off" method. As no implements are allowed, he has no choice but to pull his leg off (*middle right*).

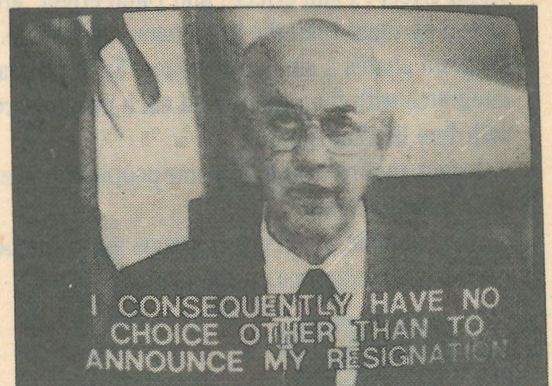


Bush accepts PW's challenge.



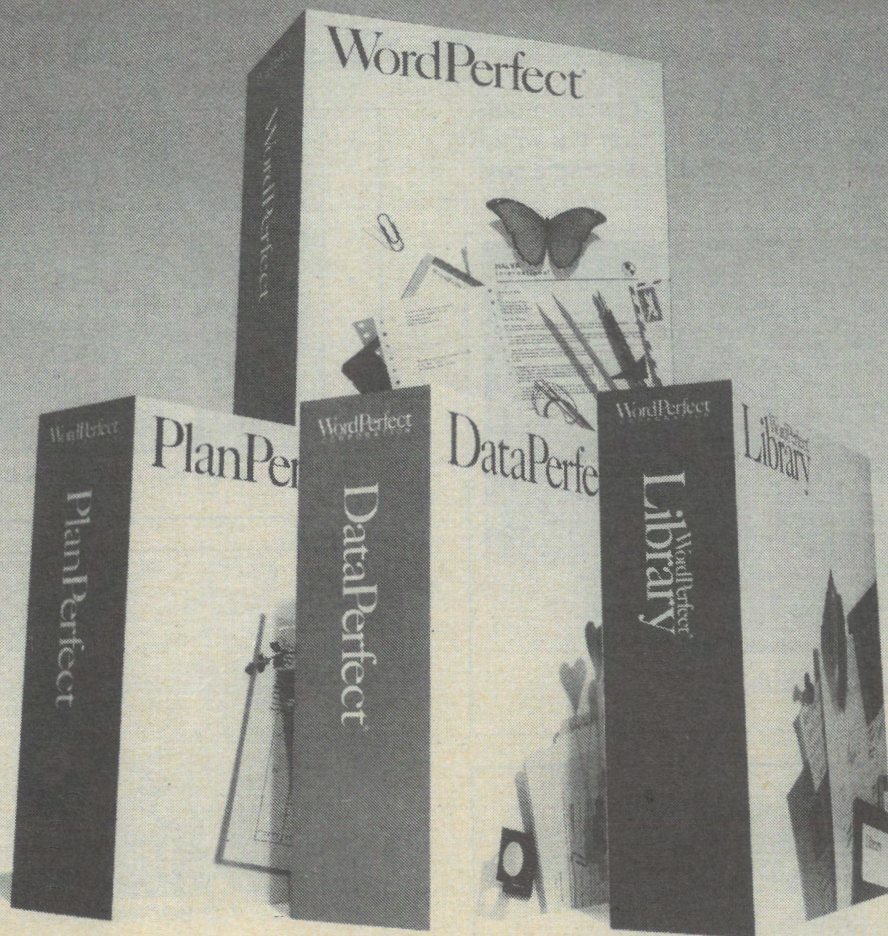
George wastes no time and proudly demonstrates his leg-pulling form.

Sadly however, the rapid weight loss induced by the competition, took it's toll and PW was soon too thin to continue. The strain of this competitive dieting was such that it resulted in PW's much publicised illness. Things went from thin to anorexic and soon PW was forced to resign as State President. (He still holds his pistol holding title however). On that sad note, National Catastrophic rounds off this report. □



A thin gaunt looking PW announces his resignation

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Earwax (per pencil top)	3000
Plaque (per miligram)	27
Scabs (per dozen)	95
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Sleep crusts (per teaspoon)	105
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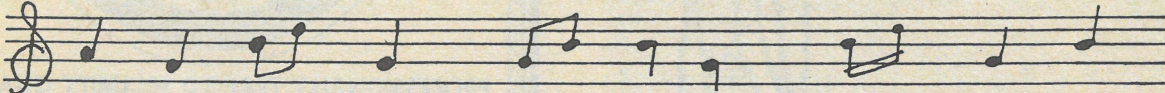
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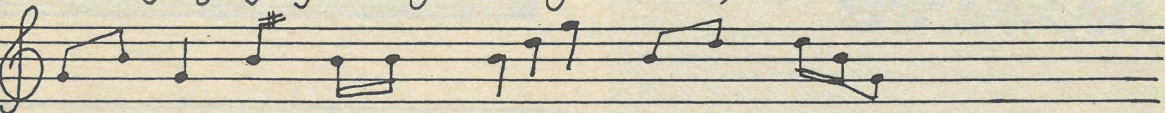
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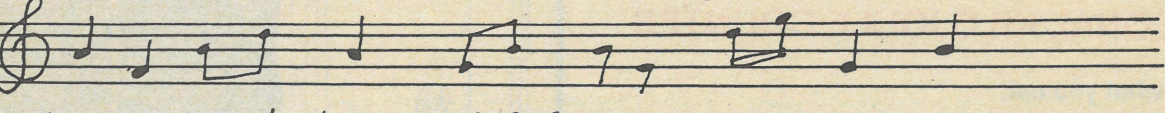
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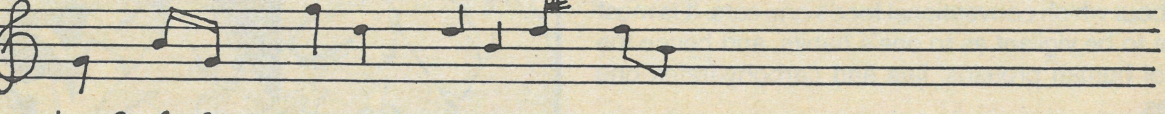
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A f f funny magazine

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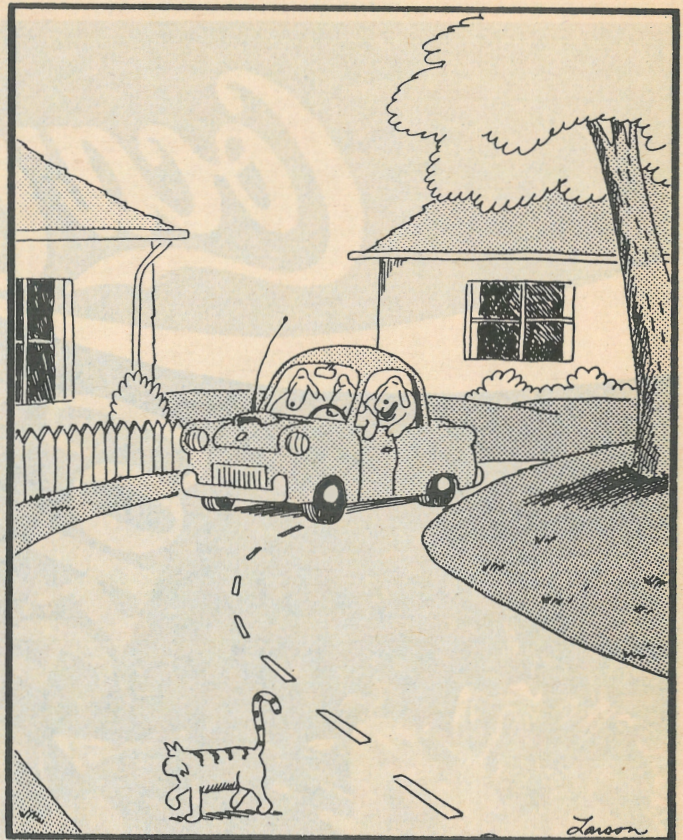
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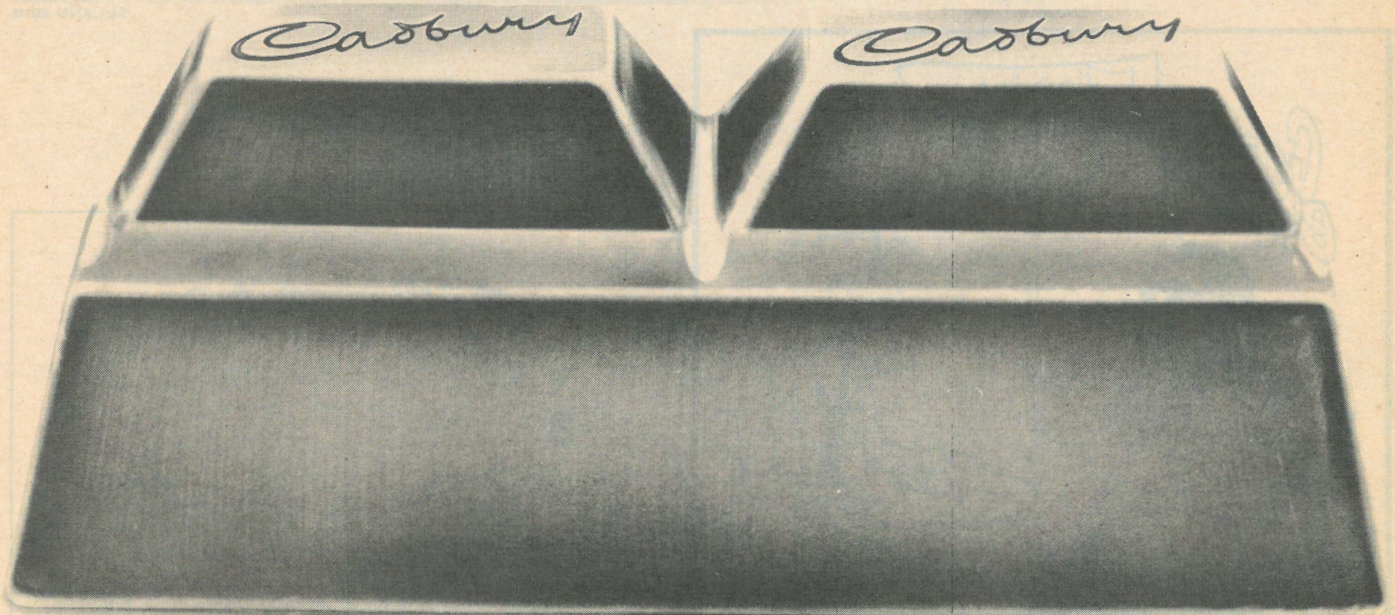


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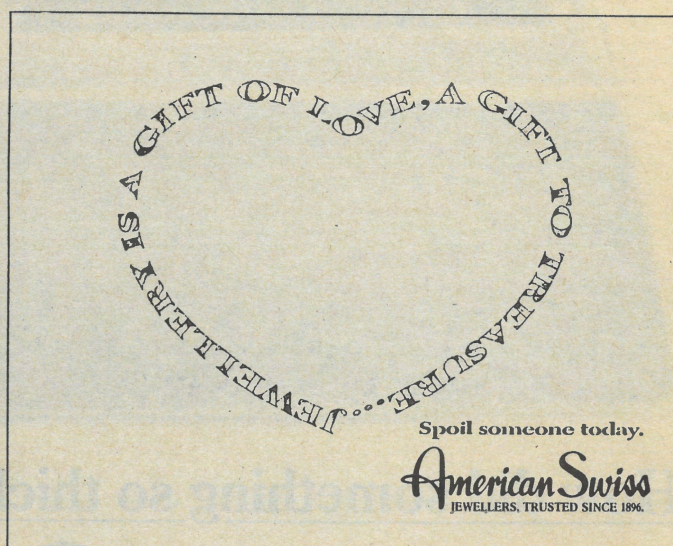


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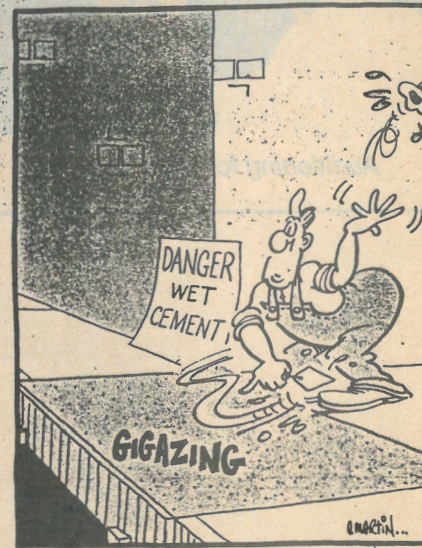
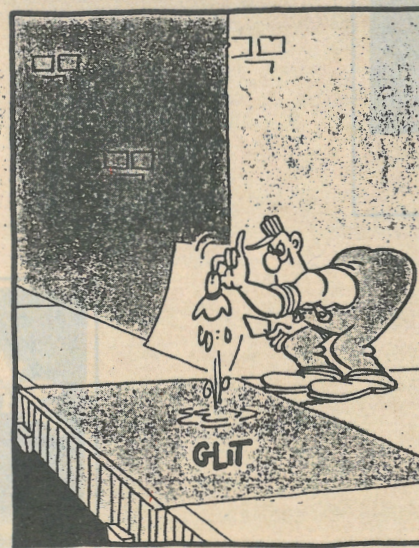
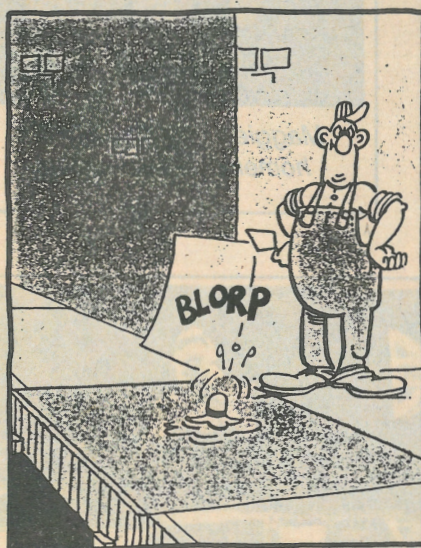
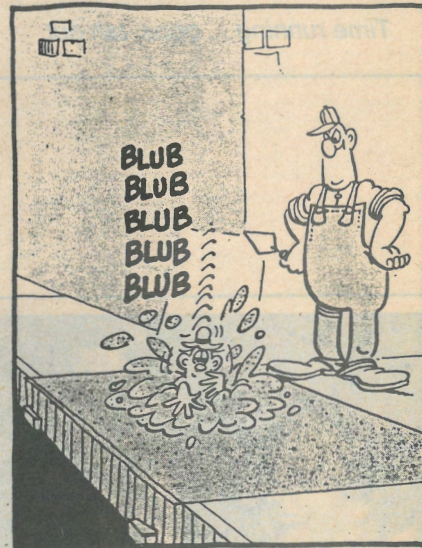
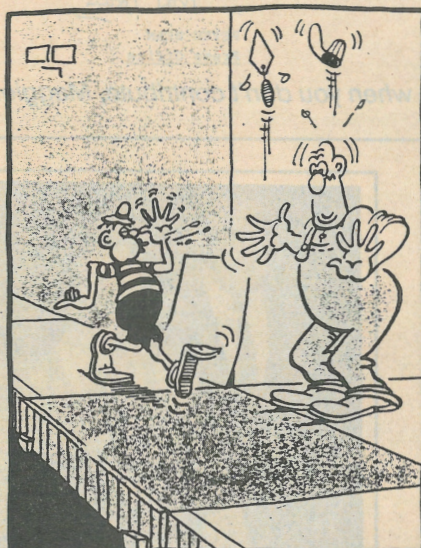
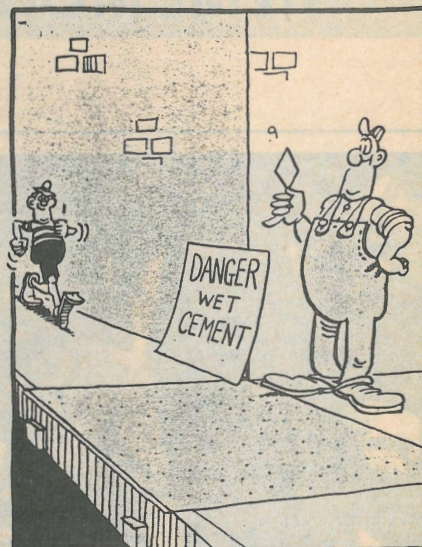
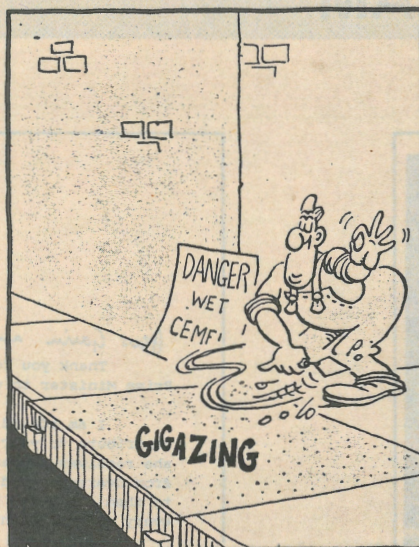


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November 15, 1990

Dear Gavin and Kristin,

Thank you for your letter of October 18 addressed to the Prime Minister to which I have been asked to reply.

I am afraid the Prime Minister would not be able to contribute to your Rag magazine. As I am sure you will understand she receives a great many requests from the media, both here and from overseas, and it is just not possible to respond positively to them all. May I take this opportunity, however, to wish you every success with your production of SAX APPEAL.

Yours sincerely

PMB

PETER BEAN
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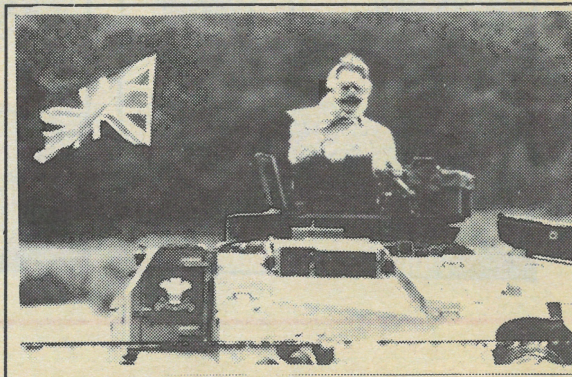
See what happens when you don't contribute, Maggie!



Auditioning for "Dirty Dancing".



Maggie with some of Pik's homemade koeksisters.



I never wanted to be a Prime Minister... I always wanted to be a tank driver, commandeering the famous "Denis Rats!"

THE YEAR 2005 AND ALL'S WELL

Tony Robinson

Just how the University took over Cape Town is still a mystery to some but all the signs were there way back in 1990.

"We have no further territorial ambitions," the Vice Chancellor said after buying yet another block of flats in Rondebosch. "Our policy is consolidation."

And then in two lightning moves he took over a disused jail on the waterfront for the business school and a Green Point hotel for student accommodation. Add this to the Orange Street Campus, the sportsfield in Pinelands as well as the Upper, Lower, Middle and Medical Campus and it was clear that a new empire was being formed.

A community campaign against the Technikon in District Six and the advent of a single ministry of education set the scene for the next dramatic 'putsch' in which the Vice Chancellor took over the Technikon campus.

Overnight the policy of consolidation became a new challenge and so did the need for funds. In a brilliant move, the University annexed the stretch of De Waal Drive which bisects the main campus and erected toll gates.

The City Council was furious. They sent the traffic police along to clear the road but found that the campus police had already dug themselves in.

With the city roads in a state of chaos, the Town Clerk applied to the Supreme Court for an urgent interdict restraining the University from closing De Waal Drive.

The Court ruled in favour of the Town Clerk but the university refused to back down.

There was an emergency meeting of the City Council and it soon became apparent that Councillors were sharply divided on sending in the police to enforce the court ruling.

"Policemen on the campus will provoke a student uprising," warned some councillors. "That's the University's problem," said others.

Then the Council was reminded that the University was now the City's biggest single ratepayer and that the non-payment of rates, service charges as well as electricity and water accounts had become a fashionable form of social protest.

Negotiation appeared to be the only possible solution. The Town Clerk, the Mayor and the executive committee were sent to see the Vice Chancellor.

The historic compromise agreement set the tone for the future relationship between the City and the University. The terms of the agreement were:

1. The toll gates would remain in place.
2. The City would receive 20 percent of the toll fees (one percent of which would be paid into the Councillors' pension fund though this detail was mysteriously omitted from the official press statement).
3. The University would award honorary doctorates to the Mayor and the Chairman of the Executive Committee.
4. The Vice Chancellor was named a Freeman of the City.
5. The Campus Police were given the right to march through the City with fixed bayonets.

There was a sigh of relief as the traffic began flowing again but the University struck again. It annexed the Eastern Boulevard to merge it with its newly acquired Technikon campus and erected more tollgates. This time the City drove a hard bargain. They held out for and got 25 percent of the toll fees, but the University got a five percent reduction in its rates and a discount on its electricity bill.

The income was used to buy more and more property in the name of consolidation and then came the dramatic unilateral declaration of municipal independence. This was quickly followed by a merger with Pinelands and then Constantia. In the South the suburbs from Bergvliet down to Simonstown broke away from Cape Town in disgust to form a new municipality.

And so it went on until the old Council was nothing more than a club for pensioners, with the fate of the City and its people controlled by the intellectuals on Devils Peak.

It was a thrilling and uplifting time. The public libraries were sanitised in an operation to remove from the shelves all works which glorified sexist behaviour, the suspicion of racism and colonialism. The thought police, a division of the social science faculty, were particularly severe on works of the Victorian period, the high point of oppressive colonialist activities.

Allegedly romantic works depicting Victorian women as desirable objects and prolific breeders were swept from the shelves, and corrupting ideas advanced by prophets of exploitation and greed such as Adam Smith and Milton

Continued...

Friedman were placed on special restricted lists and made available only to the intellectually mature.

All prints and video recordings of films featuring the former American President, Ronald Reagan, were collected for safekeeping in a bank vault which was welded closed.

The intellectuals initiated a popular movement to reform fashion and eliminate the sexism inherent in corrupt designs. Garments which enhanced and revealed the human form on a selective basis were discouraged and the bikini, the most provocative symbol of decadence, was no longer permitted on municipal beaches and in swimming pools.

Topless bathing was not allowed as this enabled many to show off their better halves only, a practice considered to be unfair to those who were best endowed below the navel. The view was taken that people, through no fault of their own, were differently endowed and there were only two possible approaches-complete nakedness or cover-all tracksuits.

Shops were filled with a wide range of unisex overalls in non-militaristic colours such as denim-blue and faded denim. Even the language and the spelling of words was refined to remove all traces of sexism-woman became womyn and girl became pre-womyn. The gender terms male and female were replaced by he-myn, she-myn and it-myn.

Recycling became a way of life and books of mystery, romance and passion were pulped and re-emerged as shoeboxes and poster board to proclaim slogans such as "Die Yuppie Scum". Tyres were turned into sandals and the

elitist practice of selling wine in corked bottles was replaced with a system of re-usable plastic Jerrycans... Life became purposeful. Picturesque but pointless municipal parks were turned into pumpkin and potato patches to nourish the people. Social problems were solved by innovative programs like the 'adopt a squatter' campaign and 'new feudalism' in which whole squatter communities were settled in the larger back yards of suburbs such as Bishopscourt and Constantia. The basis of the 'new feudalism' was the redistributive economic philosophy which followed the embarrassing collapse of Marxism. The essential principle at work was the harnessing of the 'landhost's' earning capacity for the benefit of the less fortunate who had been born with a malformed work ethic.

And what progress there was! Methane gas from the sewerage works was used to generate electricity after protesters forced the Koeberg reactors to close down. Wind power was used to pump unchlorinated water out of the ground and solar power was used to bake bricks and dry laundry.

One of the great benefits of the tollgate system was that it encouraged environmentally sound transport forms and there was a remarkable increase in the number of bicycles in the city, and then horses when the tarred roads started to break up. The search for clean-burning energy sources led to the discovery of old timber, such as that used for doors, furniture and road signs. Then the lights went out on Devil's Peak as the last Politically Correct idealists packed up their counting beads and slates and trudged slowly to the new capital at Hermanus.

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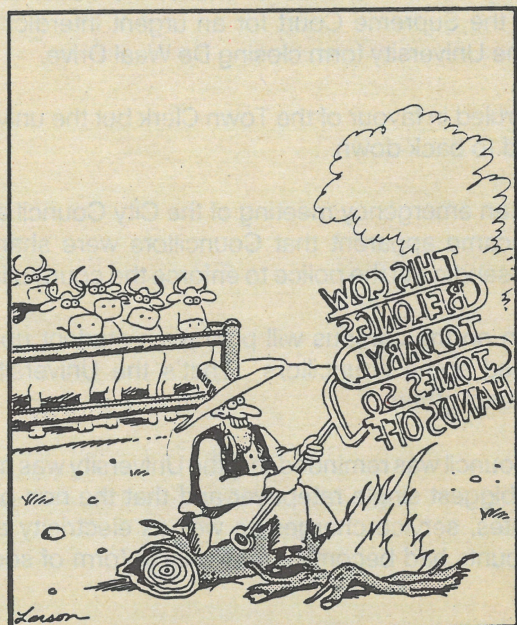
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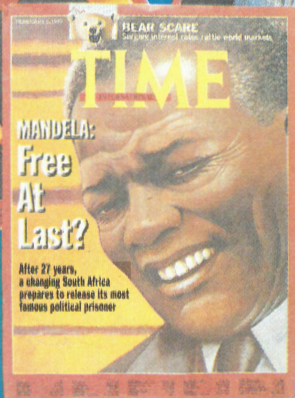
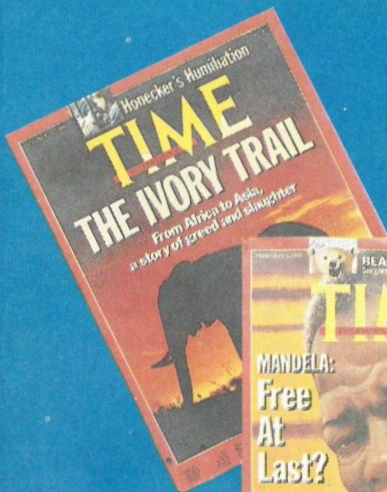


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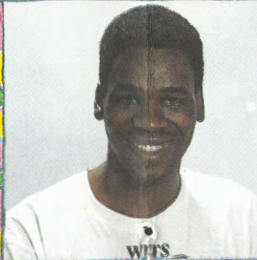
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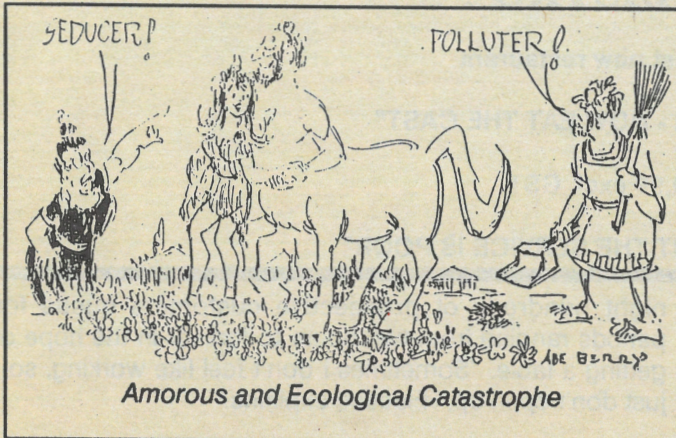
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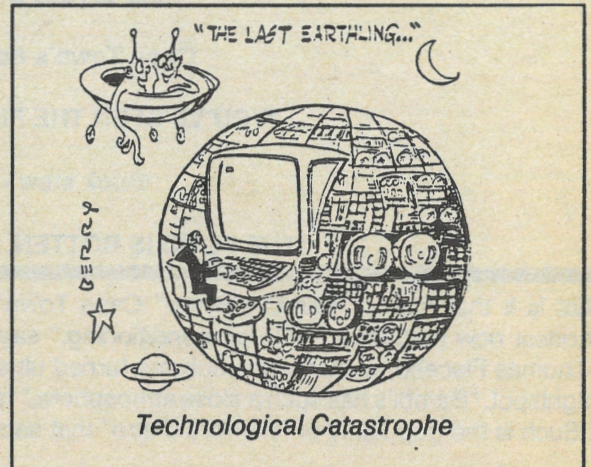
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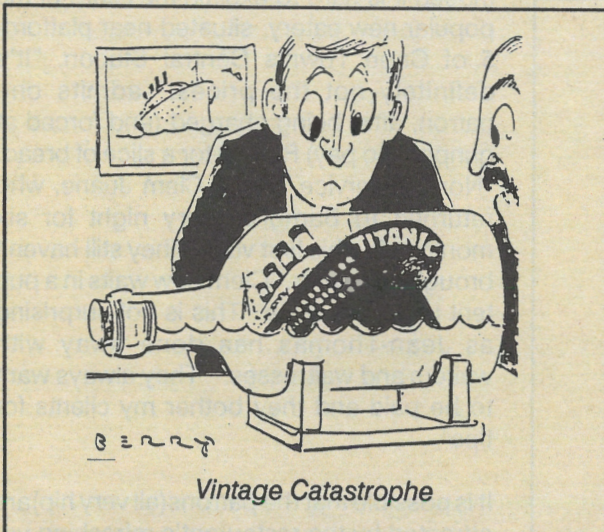
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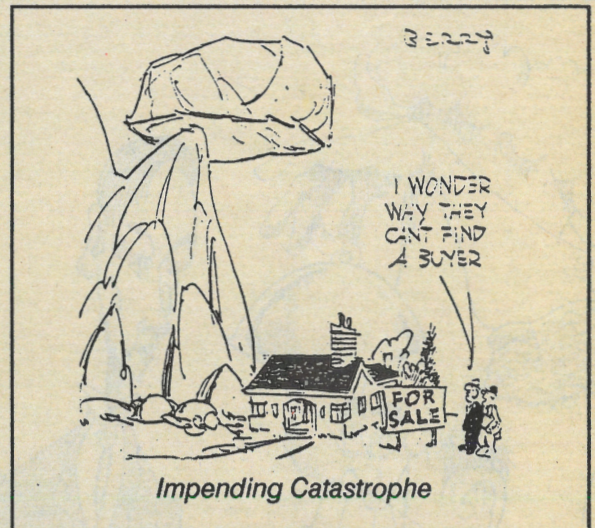
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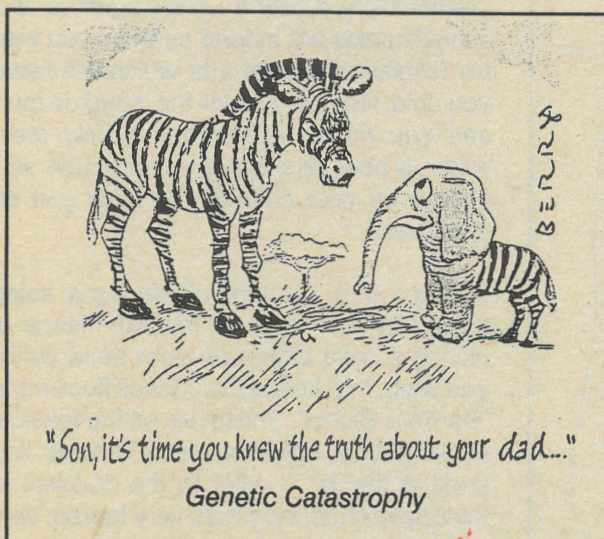
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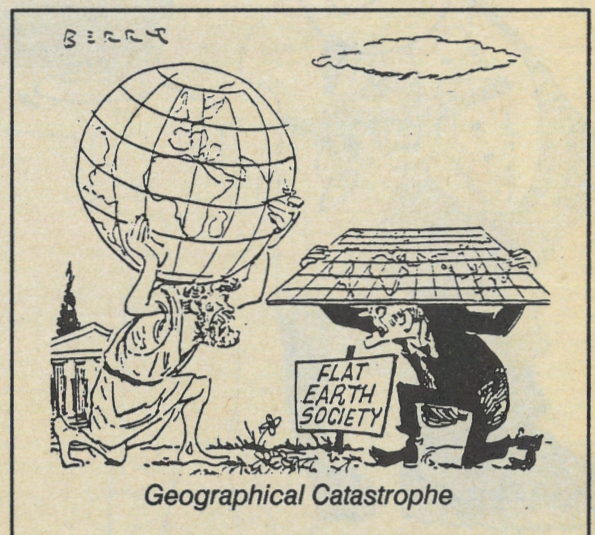
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BAMBI'S BISTRO

Cape Town's hottest new restaurant

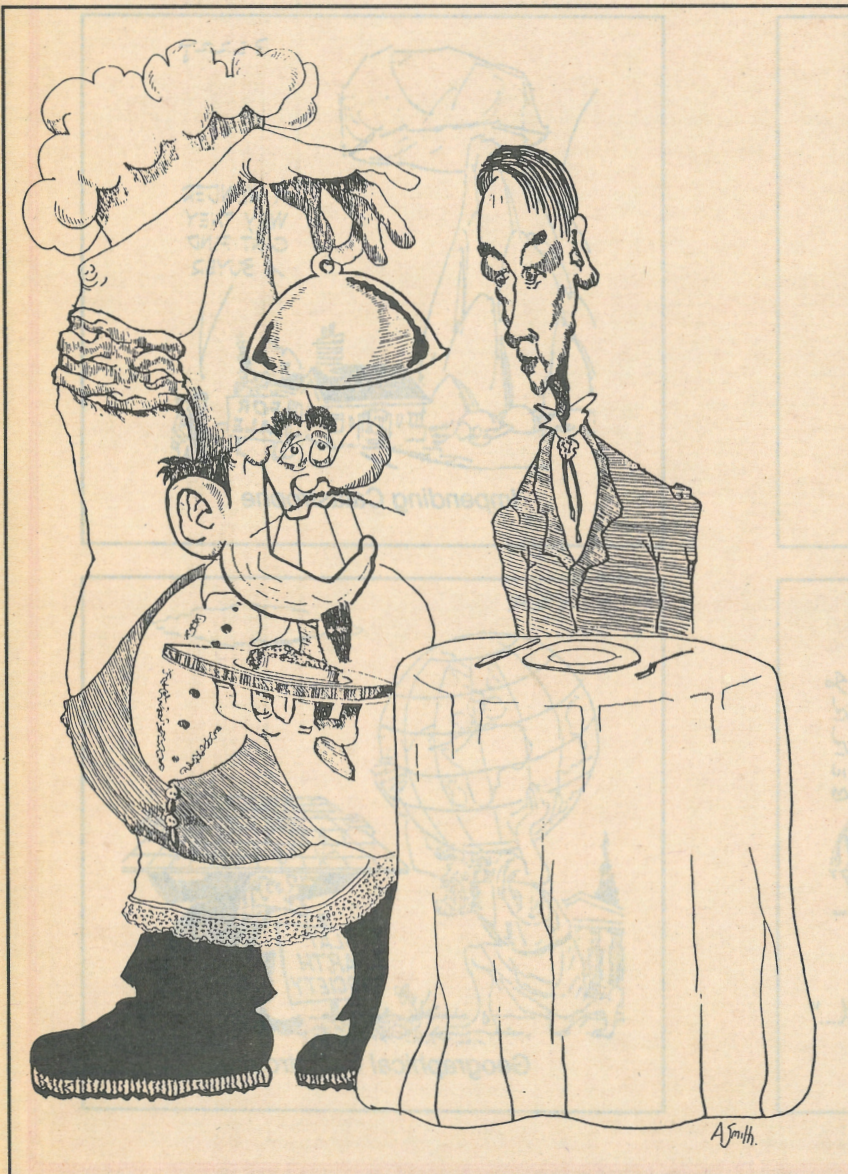
"YOU'VE SEEN THE FILM - NOW EAT THE CAST"

Buck stew - R9,99 excl. GST

"THE FOOD IS ROTTEN, BUT THE SERVICE IS POOR"

What is it that makes "Bambi's Bistro" Cape Town's hottest new restaurant? "No air conditioning," says Jean-Thomas Flaced, owner of the subway turned ultra-chic nightspot. "Bambi's has such a close atmosphere," he adds. Such is the popularity of "Bambi's Bistro" that each

night hundreds of prospective customers queue for periods ranging from two hours to forever in the hope of getting a table. "Sometimes I don't feel like working, so I just don't open up," Flaced explains.



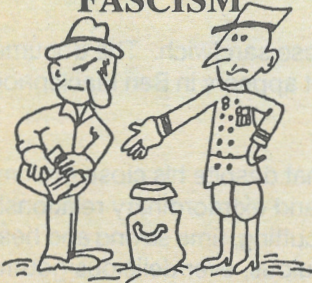
Indeed it is hard to explain the allure of the popular new eatery, situated near platform 5 of Cape Town's Central Station. "It's definitely not the prices," admits one patron, after being charged (and forced at gunpoint to pay) R75,42 for a slice of bread. "Nor the service," adds Clem Juane, who returned to Bambi's every night for six months after his first visit. "They still haven't brought my order." Clem now waits in a pup tent under his table. This is not surprising as Jean-Thomas has done away with waiters and waitresses. "They always want to be paid and they bother my clients for tips"

It is possible that the patrons (all very hip) are attracted by the restaurant's refreshing unpredictability. Order a Chef's surprise and Jean-Thomas will indeed surprise you with his display of martial arts which will leave you cold, literally! Ask for the 'soup de jour' and you might receive some salty dish-water, a bowl of soggy flies, or a 10% surcharge on your cheque, "to keep you on your toes."

Perhaps it is the lure of having a salad tossed in your face, or the experience of having a cake baked on your head (while you wait), that keeps the crowds flocking to "Bambi's Bistro". These are all the feasible explanations, however, Jean-Thomas has another theory: "I cater to the crustiest of the upper crust. very rich, very inbred, very stupid". □

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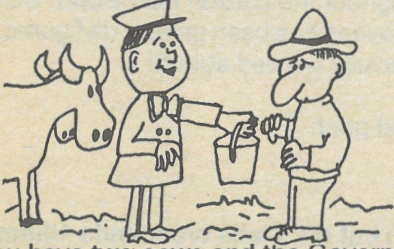
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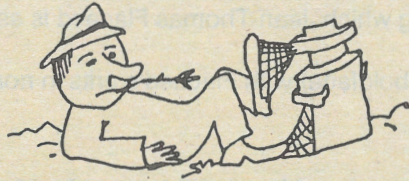
You have two cows and give one to your neighbour.

COMMUNISM



You have two cows and the Government takes both and gives you the milk

NEW DEALISM



You have two cows and the Government takes both, shoots one, milks the other and throws the milk away.

CAPITALISM



You have two cows, sell one and buy a bull.



Bishop Tutu and Rev Allan Boesak on hearing the latest Inflation rate!

CUISINE

Below is a set of instructions on how to make a South African Transport Services cheese sandwich. The document was issued to railways catering staff as a "training standard" for would-be stewards. It appears in Ben MacLennan's book, "Apartheid, the Lighter Side" and was originally drawn from the Cape Times.

Jean-Thomas Flaced, of the Bambi's Bistro criticises the SA Transport Services, and finds that despite his close proximity to that worldwide bastion of luxury, comfort and efficiency, and hence his very special and extraordinary relationship with it, it does not quite measure up to his standards or compare favourably with his cost-cutting, time saving and health conscious (and self-devised, of course) methods of preparing the ever famous, ever fabulous, ever delicious gourmet style CHEESE SANDWICH!

He finds that despite their unquestionable reputation, they have, in quite disastrous fashion, omitted certain crucial pieces (titbits, really) of information. This has led to mindblowing confusion throughout the cordon bleu world, with the consequence that the age old tradition of Transport Services Cheese Sandwich making has been grossly disfigured, disembowelled and dismembered, (something which Jean-Thomas Flaced is especially worried about)!

Here follows the document of instructions (in boldface) with Flaced's criticisms in normal print:

1. After hands are washed, dry hands properly with towels for this purpose.

Poor move: grit, bacteria and dirt (plus crusty sweat sediments) add flavour to a good cheese— (consult Platter's Cheese Guide - 1537th edition). (This renders the towel superfluous).

2. Take loaf and place loaf on clean breadboard with top-crust towards you.

Nice touch!

3. Look and make sure the bread is fresh and suitable for the making of sandwiches.

The guide fails to mention that one should, besides merely looking, also touch, taste, smell and listen to see if the bread is suitable.

4. Hold the wooden handle of the breadknife in the hand normally used for work, left or right, and keep the cutting edge of the knife downwards. With the other hand, hold the loaf firmly in the middle, to avoid cutting the hand.

It is here that the guide commits its first act of sacrilege. The bread should be held between the knees. The knife should not be held by the wooden handle, but rather tightly between the teeth by the freshly sharpened blade.

5. Place the cutting edge of the breadknife on top of the loaf and with even movements to and fro, accompanied by pressure on the breadknife, cut off about 5mm of crust.

Bread should then be sliced using the appropriate to and fro movements. The correct crust size to be sliced off is, in fact, (according to Platter) 5.3678999 recurring millimetres.

6. After crust has been cut off, place breadknife 10mm back from the side where the crust was cut off, and repeat movements to and fro with pressure on the breadknife until you have cut right through the loaf.

At this point the loaf should be discarded owing to the excessive amount of fresh gushing blood pouring onto it. A new loaf should be taken out and prepared.

Step No 7 has been totally omitted. It can therefore not be criticised in any way.

8. Place the loaf back in a clean spot in the working area, and clean the breadboard of superfluous crumbs.

Superfluous crumbs, being by their very nature, superfluous, and hence unnecessary, unwanted and unneeded, should therefore be retained as an integral part of this very superfluous set of instructions.

9. The two 10mm-thick slices of bread are now ready to be laid side by side flat on the breadboard.

The 2x10,011 (according to Platter) millimetre thick slices of bread are only ready when they say so, or alternately when their shrink says so.

10. Take the butter-knife and the 8gm portion of butter, remove the covering from the butter, and place the butter on one slice of bread of 10mm.

Yet another superfluous line. Butter merely makes a sandwich tasty and prevents drying out. Unfortunately this is totally unacceptable.

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11. Halve the 8gm portion of butter and use the butter-knife to place a 4gm portion on each slice of bread.
No comment! (see 10)

12. Use the butterknife to spread equally thick on both slices of bread, with the flat side of the butterknife.
No comment! (see 10)

13. After the butter has been spread equally thickly on both slices of bread, take the 25gm of grated cheese and scatter it equally thickly on one slice of bread.
Cheese should never be scattered equally— it is not the vogue. Come to think of it, cheese should never be used. It is far too conducive to eliciting comments from customers such as “nourishing” or “very tasty”.

14. After the grated cheese has completely covered one slice of bread of 10mm, take the other slice of bread and place it on the scattered cheese with the butter facing downwards.

Once you've used whatever you've used, (last weeks left-over sardine and condensed milk concoction is recommended by Platter), then fit the two slices together.

15. Now press the slices of bread lightly together and cut diagonally to produce four triangular portions of sandwich.

Never press lightly. Steam Rollers are available at discount prices to all gourmet chefs. Little kids like their sandwiches sliced into the shape of the Teenage Mutant Sandwich Turtles, or alternatively place an avocado pear and the freshly prepared sandwich together in a blender and serve.

16. The sandwich is now ready and the working area can be cleaned. Remaining ingredients can now be put back in their respective storage places.

This is the manual's biggest mistake. They have it the wrong way round: Rather serve the customer the ingredients and eat the sandwich yourself!

The list of materials and implements necessary for the operation - including a breadboard “ which is clean on both sides, hygienic and without cracks” - brought the sandwich manual to a length of three pages!
Cape Times, May 17, 1987



VOLCANOES

WHAT'S A CATASTROPHE WITHOUT A VOLCANO?

by John Scott

"The trouble with South Africa," said Wilbur E Cataract Jnr, 93-year-old Fish Hoek Bureau Chief of the National Catastrophic, "is that it has no volcanoes."

I had visited Wilbur at his home, Sunny Lawns Lodge for Still Alive Citizens (SACs for short) and offered to write an article for National Catastrophic's 1991 issue.

"I thought of a piece titled THE MINE DUMPS — WHAT JOBURG BROUGHT UP, or FALSE BAY'S SECRET — THE TRUTH ABOUT THE UNDERWATER TURD WORLD. Something along those lines," I said.

"All very interesting I'm sure," said Wilbur. "But volcanoes are what sell. You haven't managed to discover if Devil's Peak is likely to blow its top, I suppose?"

"Not its top, but something could happen on its lower slopes," I said.

"Lower slopes only interest me when their inhabitants fall victim to catastrophic disasters from above," replied Wilbur, "As far as I can see, the inhabitants of the lower slopes of Devil's Peak are quite capable of creating their own disasters without help from any natural agency."

I had to hand it to the old boy, he knew his stuff.

"But why does it have to be volcanoes?" I persisted. "What about THE HOLE — BIGGEST THING IN KIMBERLEY? or DE HOOP'S HOPES TO PUT VAN DER MERWE IN SPACE? It would be right down Catastrophic readers' alley."

"Catastrophic readers like going down only one thing, and that's craters," said Wilbur. "Our last issue was a sell-out because of volcanoes. It featured the Mexican eruption EL CHICHON SPEWS DEATH AND DEVASTATION. Whole villages were engulfed by lava and volcanic dust."

"Unfortunately South Africa hasn't had anything like that lately," I said.

"The same issue also devoted many pages to the aftermath of the Mount St Helens eruption, and called it LEARNING TO LIVE WITH RESTLESS GIANT," said Wilbur. "We published the view that the vast swath of

destruction in Washington State could be a crucible of creation."

"They say the first human beings actually lived in Southern Africa," I said. "Would you be interested in FROM AFRICA'S ADAM TO MIXING BOWL OF MANKIND?"

"Not if volcanoes don't come into it," said Wilbur. "Another item we had in our last issue was BURIED ROMAN TOWN GIVES UP ITS DEAD."

"No doubt it was on the slopes of Vesuvius," I said.

"We thought Vesuvius, St Helens and El Chichon provided a nice intercontinental mix," said Wilbur.

"But surely there will be items in the 1991 issue besides volcanoes?"

"Not from the Fish Hoek Bureau there won't be. This is one place where we don't allow the present to deviate from the past."

"Why does the Fish Hoek Bureau concentrate on volcanoes? Fish Hoek never had a volcano."

"That's why we like reading about them," said Wilbur. "It makes us all realise how lucky we are. We felt the Tulbagh Earthquake more than 20 years ago, and that was enough. Many of our residents did not survive the shock of being shaken."

"I can do you a piece on earthquakes," I cried. "RIPPLE EFFECTS OF 1969 EARTHQUAKE STILL FELT - FISH HOEK SHUDDERS AT THE THOUGHT."

"They want to read about volcanoes or nothing at all," said Wilbur. "They aren't happy unless things go up in smoke."

"Maybe they still will," I said. "Maybe the whole world will go up in smoke, but it will be too late for the 1991 issue's deadline. The most exciting thing down your way is still CAMPFIRE UNDER THE OVERHANG - THE PREHISTORY OF PEERS CAVE."

"That's better than nothing," said Wilbur, "until Elsie's Peak erupts." □

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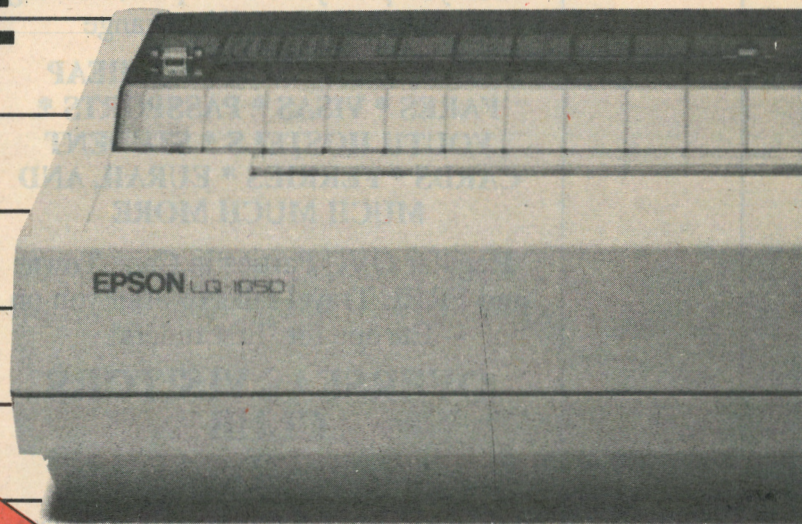
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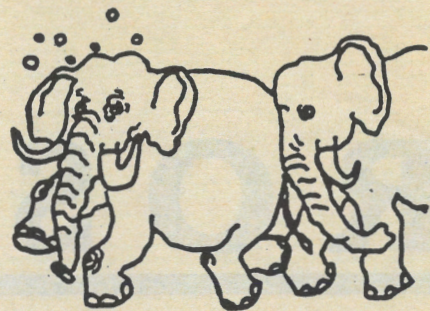
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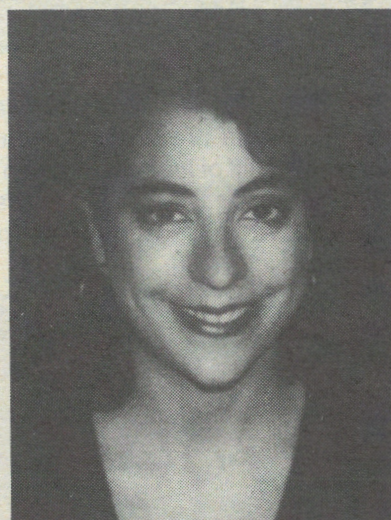
SHAWCO and RAG extends appreciation to the public of Cape Town and beyond for their continued support of our efforts to improve the quality of life, particularly of children and the aged in our community in the Cape Peninsula.

Exciting new ventures to improve community health and education are being launched this year, but can only succeed if we have your continued generous support.

'Sax Appeal' aims not only to amuse you, but also to tell you about many of the community projects undertaken by SHAWCO through the voluntary efforts of the student body, staff and community groups.

As in the past, we shall do everything possible to ensure that your contribution is used to benefit directly all those in need.

**MR DERRICK A J LIVESEY, M.A. Cantab.
WARDEN OF SHAWCO**



"Without your support, SHAWCO could not sustain its growth and services, and transform these ideas and ideals into reality."

**MESSAGE FROM THE
SHAWCO STUDENT PRESIDENT**

DORA WYNCHANK

Fellow Capetonians,

During 1990 in South Africa, several advances were made politically which engendered a spirit of optimism. Yet, despite the unbanning of political organisations, return of leaders, partial lifting of the state of emergency, and apparent commitment to the dismantling of apartheid, today most South Africans find themselves in a desperate situation.

SHAWCO stands firm in our adherence to the principles of progressive welfare. Gone are the days of patronising handouts-these perpetuate dependence and obviate any form of accountability. SHAWCO is currently striving to involve the oppressed communities at all levels. It is in consultation that needs are defined, projects planned and evaluated. Our long term goal is to hand these projects over completely to the community so that they may be run and developed independently.

New students bring new, challenging ideas. Without your support, SHAWCO could not sustain its growth and services, and transform these ideas and ideals into reality. We would like to thank you once again for your continuous support.

**DORA WYNCHANK
SHAWCO STUDENT PRESIDENT**

SHAWCO

SHAWCO is the UCT Student's Health and Welfare Centres Organisation. With a present annual budget of R2,5 million, a permanent staff of about 80, and an involvement of about 1000 students on various levels of the Organisation, SHAWCO is the biggest student-run welfare organisation of its kind in the world.

which SHAWCO works. This is an ambitious, wide-angled ideal, towards which in all likelihood, SHAWCO will be working for some time.



More tangible statistics are also useful...1989 figures (the most recent as yet unavailable) reveal that SHAWCO's mobile clinics, run by medical students two to three times a week, serviced over 5500 patients. Apart from this, over 2000 people were treated for malnutrition. SHAWCO's 17 permanent Social Workers saw over 17 000 people needing help with social problems ranging widely from alcoholism to family planning. Child neglect and abuse are particularly bad and prevalent problems, arising out of a wider background of high crime and divorce rates, family upheavals and non-support. As in the rest of SHAWCO, the services concerning various aspects of health are ever-expanding, and are increasingly more strongly supported by the communities in which they operate.

SHAWCO was initiated in 1943 by a small group of medical students who saw a desperate need for health facilities in the burgeoning squatter communities in Windermere (now Kensington), an area in the Cape Flats that had seen a huge influx of people during the 2nd World War employment boom, but whose growth had by no means been matched by proportional or adequate medical services. The only funding attained by the first students for their project, to be run on a weekly basis, was R100 worth of drugs, given by the City Hospital. Only eight patients showed up at the first clinic, held by the students in a local school. Today SHAWCO's services have extended beyond health-based services alone, and, through various projects, into the broader spheres of education and welfare as well. SHAWCO's services operated today from eight different, self-built community centres in various deprived areas in the greater Cape Town area.

HEALTH

SHAWCO faces problems arising from conditions frighteningly similar to those faced by the first students in the '40s and '50s. Poor housing, inadequate sanitation and refuse disposal, inferior education, low wages and inadequate health facilities, are all, to an extent, products of Apartheid legislation over the last 40 years in particular. In light of this, SHAWCO's staff and the student Health Management Committee are committed to steering away from paternalistic, "hand-out"-based welfare wherever reasonably possible, and aiming instead towards "community empowerment". If this is to be attained, comprehensive care is vital - preventative, promotive, curative, rehabilitative and educative services should be integrated if they are to have a useful impact on the health status of the communities in





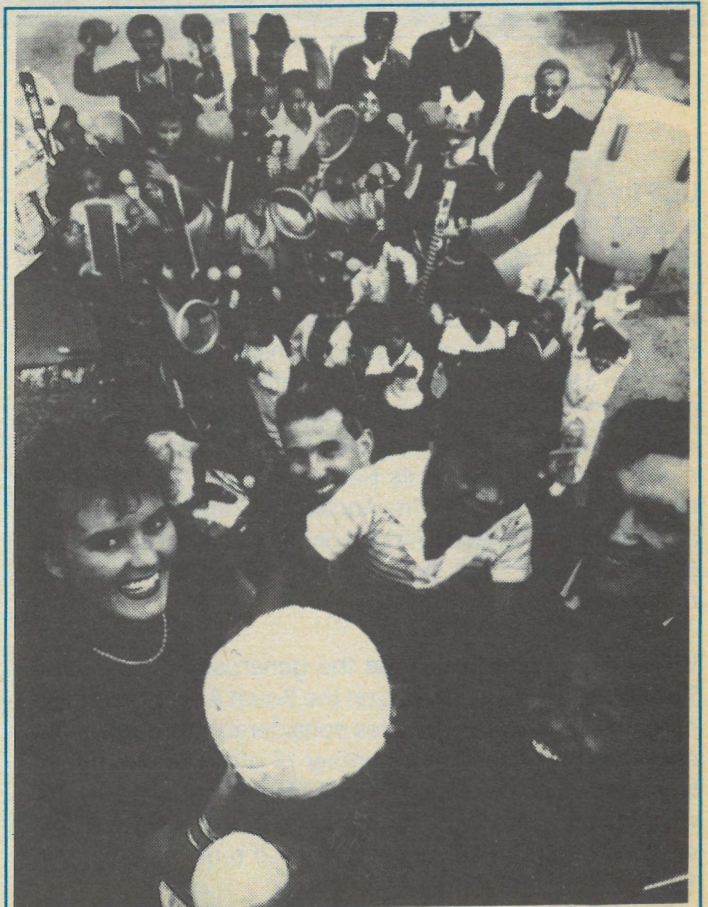
four different creches at various SHAWCO centres, thus enabling a total of more than 500 children to receive quality pre-school education which would otherwise have been unavailable. In addition to these services, a supportive nutritional meal of milk and peanut butter sandwiches is distributed to over two thousand pre-school children per day.

EDUCATION AND WELFARE

SHAWCO's main education program over the past number of years involved approximately 200 students in weekly tutoring schemes, operating in adult night schools and high schools, in the deprived areas of Khayelitsha, Langa and Kensington. The section must operate in the frustrating context of the overwhelming education crisis in South Africa: chronic overcrowding in schools, shortages of books, equipment and teachers are common problems faced by pupils in these areas.

At primary school level, SHAWCO acts as an agent for the Peninsula Schools Feeding Association, of which it was a founder member, and prepares/delivers more than 4000 litres of soup and bread to thirty primary schools on a daily basis.

In 1991, SHAWCO's Education Committee will be instituting a new program aimed at providing improved, comprehensive, supplementary education to disadvantaged high-school scholars. Dubbed 'STEP' (SHAWCO Tutorial Education Program), the program will involve centralising the weekly teaching schemes into one weekly Saturday program on the UCT campus itself. SHAWCO's STEP program will initially involve about 750 scholars in tutorials that supplement the school syllabus, but which will also provide cultural enrichment in the form of music and drama programs. Extra-curricular schemes such as sex education courses will also be run. In the broader sphere of welfare SHAWCO operates a number of schemes, ranging from those which benefit Cape Town's disadvantaged children, to those that provide services to the elderly.



Through the Education and Welfare Committee's Masi-zame Preschool Section (meaning "let us try together for something beautiful"), close contact is maintained with and support is given to many pre-schools initiated by the local communities in the squatter settlements of KTC, Nyangá and Khayelitsha. SHAWCO has long-standing links with the Union of Jewish Women which runs and administers

SHAWCO

SHAWCO's role in support of senior citizens is highly regarded in the Cape Peninsula. More than 500 senior citizens regularly attend daily programs run by the SHAWCO service centres. SHAWCO is also equipped to undertake psychological and therapeutic programs amongst stroke patients, through handiwork, exercise routines and recreational and social activities. All who attend SHAWCO's daily senior citizen programs are able to receive a nutritional lunchtime meal, also on a daily basis.

In conclusion, SHAWCO continues to develop and grow with its solid background of nearly 50 years of welfare work, but also against the wider and unstable background of political development in South Africa. Whilst SHAWCO strives to be a progressive welfare organisation in the sense that it believes valid and lasting transformation can only be carried out with people and not for them, it must continue in some ways to attempt to alleviate life-threatening inadequacies, in the communities in which it works, on a more short-term basis.



RAG

UCT Rag (standing for Remember And Give) is SHAWCO's student fund-raising arm. Rag endeavours annually to raise the funds desperately needed to maintain SHAWCO's current projects, as well as the funds needed for its increasing expansion. Despite an increasingly tight economy in South Africa, UCT Rag has grown considerably in the latter '80s. In 1990, Rag raised a net profit of R930 000.00 for SHAWCO, through a wide variety of over 40 portfolios, including such events as the well-known annual Float procession and the sale of its Rag magazine. Other events included a prestigious Wine Auction, a Company Relay, an annual concert of South African bands which attracted over 5500 people in 1990, annual student fun Olympics, and many others.

Whilst depending heavily on the generosity of the Cape Town public, Rag also relies on the South African business community, which contributes considerably through event sponsorship. Although a number of other South African Universities boast "Rags" which fundraise annually for welfare, UCT Rag is by far the largest and most well-developed organisation. SHAWCO itself remains unique in South Africa, and perhaps worldwide.

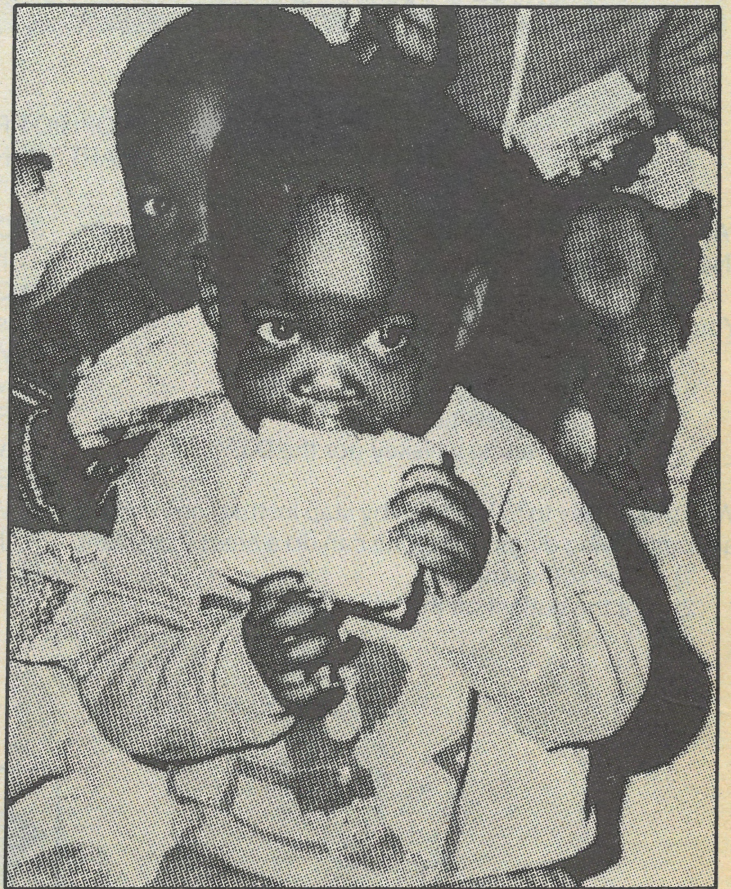
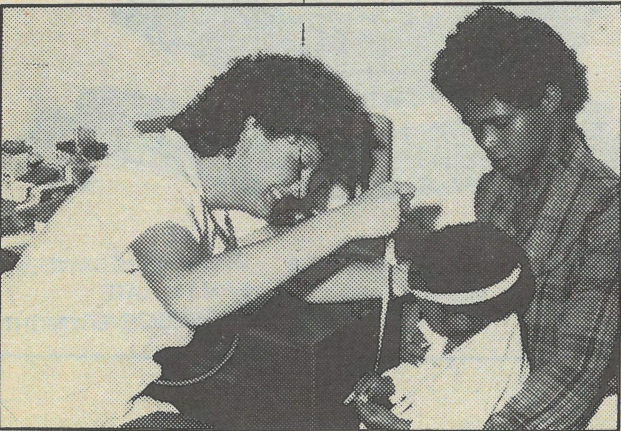
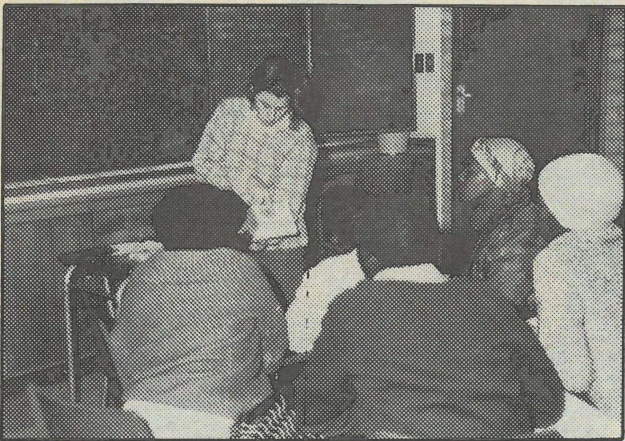
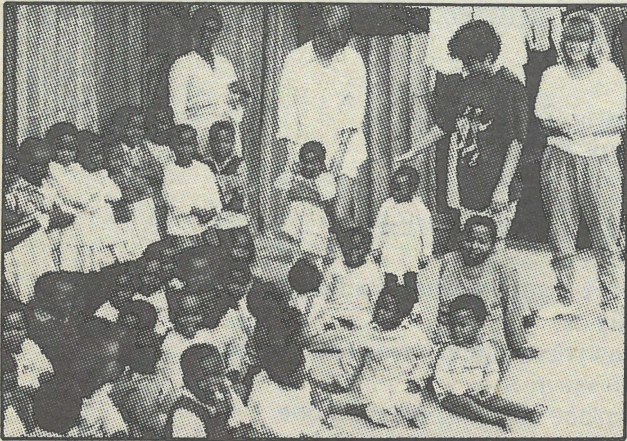
Thus, SHAWCO believes that challenging political causes of oppression are an important component of effecting development; it recognises at the same time an urgent need for simultaneous relief programs run in the shorter-term. Staff and students alike, find working in SHAWCO a humbling experience. Always challenging, often frustrating, work in SHAWCO for both staff and student volunteers, can never fail to be a truly valuable learning experience. ☐

WITH YOUR HELP... WE CAN MAKE IT HAPPEN!

All RAG's funds go directly to SHAWCO. A donation from you will make a big difference in some-one's life, whether it is used for medical equipment, nutritional foodstuffs, community development, or education.

If you are interested to learn more about SHAWCO and its projects, feel free to contact us at Rag Office and we'll be happy to tell you.

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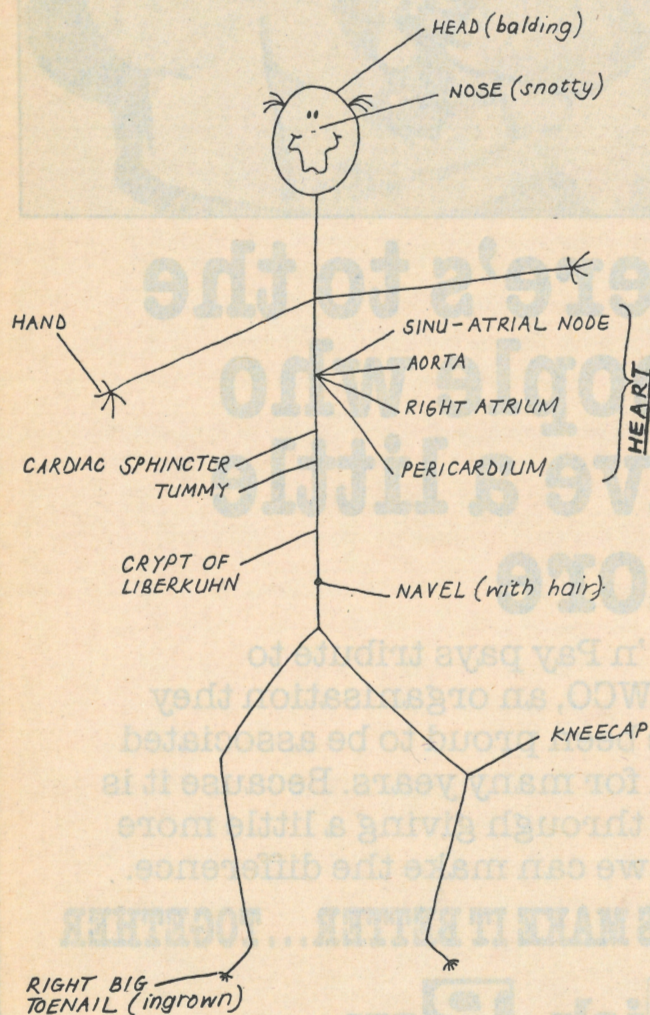
5) Wash hands (and have some more whiskey);

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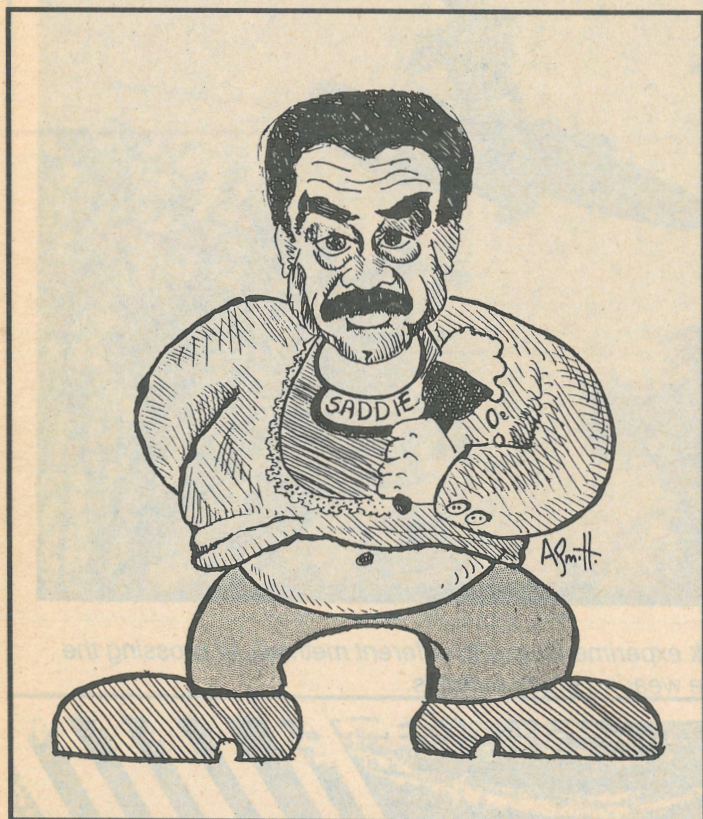


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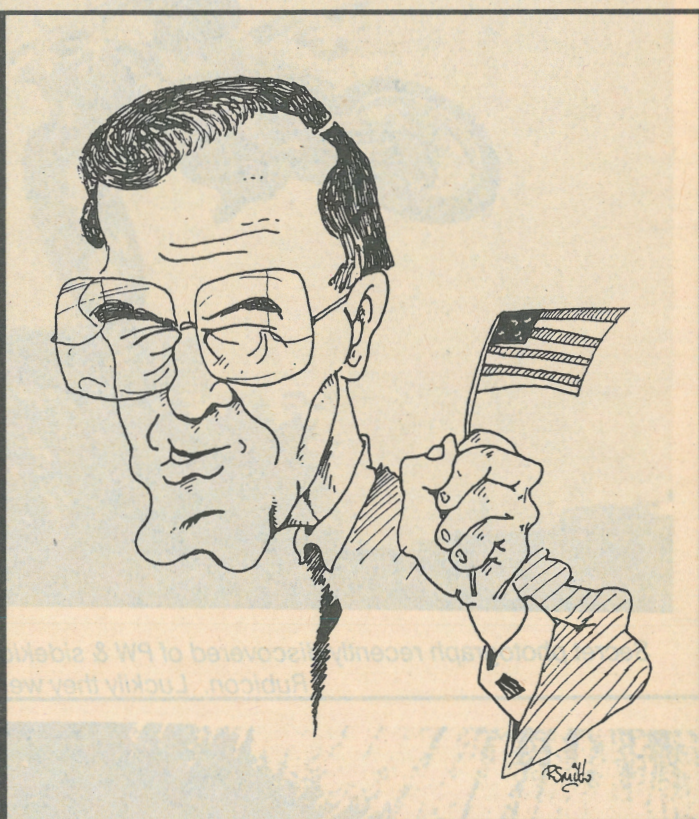
Wake up to the pleasant sounds of my canary singing old Iraqi folktales. Feed my canary to my cat. Eat breakfast of olives soaked in tobasco sauce (just to get the blood boiling). Consult collection on Sylvester Stallone, Arnold Shwarzenegger, Charles Bronson and Clint Eastwood movies to update my 'tough talk' vocabulary.

During lunch, get sudden (or is it Saddam?) whim to do something recklessly dumb. Kill one of my colonels? Cut off one of my toes? Destroy my olive groves? Visit Israel as a tourist? Can't arrive at a conclusion.

Towards evening, on the way to the local hangings, my car runs out of petrol. That's it! Invade a small, helpless, filthy rich, oil saturated country. Excellent, there's one right next door. Might even manage to start a small war.

Go to bed. Dream of feeding another canary to the cat. ☐

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF GEORGE BUSH



Wake up at 11.00am and can't decide whether to take the dog for a walk or play a game of golf. Look forward to my afternoon nap. Practise smiling in the mirror, to prepare for yet another boring horde of sychophantic journalists - the image is **so** important.

Eat lunch of Grandma's homemade apple pie and low cholesterol beef burgers. Am advised by top White House officials as to how to turn a blind eye to the national debt and the drug problem in new and inventive ways. Burst into tears in front of Congress and Senate to persuade them to pass my new Anti-domestic Affairs Bill. Succeed.

Have revelation by 6.00pm: realise it is my sacred mission to impose new world order. Must add my own contribution to Korea, Vietnam, Cuba etc. and stop the spread of Communi...oops, tyrants. (Yes, I forgot-since the Cold War's finished, it's time for a hot one). Excellent, there's just been an invasion in the Middle East-now I can prove **and** justify myself.

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As you pull out of your driveway you are likely to be hooted and sworn at by a maniac who appeared from nowhere test driving his brand new 325i Cabriolet and is disappointed that it only reached 160 in 2nd before you and the kid on the tricycle blocked his way.

Have no fear. This was an unlucky co-incidence. But alas, three blocks down you catch up to this morning's rush hour backlog with a delivery van hot on your tail. One...two seconds and the guy does a sharp drop to second and overtakes you only to realise that he wants to turn left at the robots. He tactlessly forces his way in front of you, causes you to break sharply and catch the happy behind you unawares. Screeeeech... and he comes to within an inch of your rear bumper.

Meanwhile, up ahead the Transvaal tourist who has recently bought a twin-cab 4X4 with mag wheels, bull bars, roll bar, extra petrol tank and air conditioner has discovered that 4X4's are no longer allowed on the beaches and takes his baby on its first pavement hop in order to pass on the left and prove that Vaalies are rugged after all. Needless to say, after wiping out a few trees, a lamppost and a maltese poodle he barges his way to the front of the queue, finds himself in the middle of the intersection and holds up the traffic for five minutes before ending up facing the way he came.

By some fluke you eventually make it on to the highway where traffic is meant to flow like oil out of a Volkswagen. So much for that!. You get stuck behind an overloaded vegetable truck and the Taxis won't let you into the right hand lane. Eventually after 17 minutes of grey smoke and a few old tomatoes stuck to your bonnet you find a gap and floor the old crate.

But a surprise awaits you on the next rise. Two 40 ton trucks are having a duel up the hill. For 10 minutes you watch the one on the right gain 3 inches on the other while the bloke in the CY Grenada XR6 is flashing his headlights

for you to move over. It must have been his headlights since the extra stop lights on the rear windscreen are facing the wrong way, he has taken his one-way reflective sunglasses off and the fur on his dashboard is non-reflective. Besides, the flashy pair of size 1 takkies hanging from the rear view mirror are not battery operated.

Eventually the truck on the left backs down and lets you and the 3 km line of cars behind you pass. You take the next exit and head along a country road for a little peace and quiet.

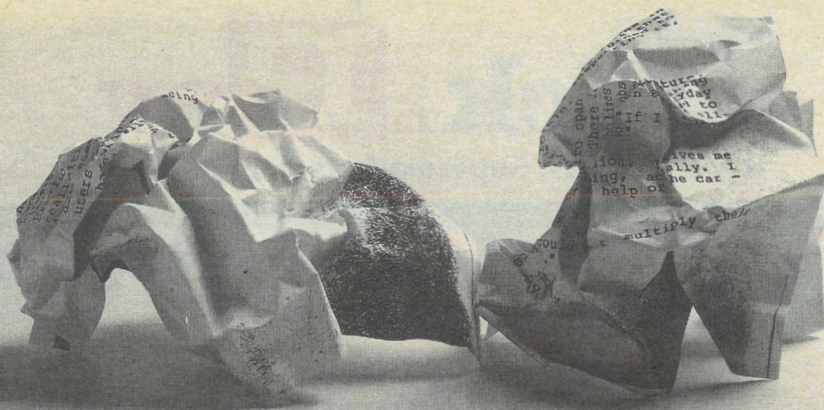
The next move in the game is to carry out what you originally intended to.... charge the battery and appreciate your old relic weaving along the winding paths of the countryside. Suddenly you hit a toll station and they charge you R12 to punish your tyres on a stretch of pot-holed gravel lined with roadworks signs and yellow tip-trucks dropping spurts of gravel on your bonnet. Heres to your two week old paint job!

Back on the tar again, you soon discover that the normal route home is under construction and you get sent on a 57km detour. Weighing up the pros and cons of retracing your path you keep going while having a mental argument as to the feasibility of nationalising the ice cream industry.

Back in town, you take the shortest route home. En route you come across a tourist car from Tweespruit whose driver is casually pointing out the merits of a power station on the top of Devils Peak while chugging along at 20km/h against the evening rush hour. A brief hoot and he waves at you while remarking to his family how friendly the local people are. Finally when the message hits home and they decide to picnic on the side of the road, you make your way home with determination.

Besides the fool who crept forward at the robots and then stalled when they went green and the clever bloke being driven on the pavement in his Nissan, the rest of your homeward journey was uneventful.

Back home you begin to realise why Ed Warren smiles when the railways manage to get his goods delivered at all. And you ponder on the merits of owning a car and, for that matter, a home, Television and dog. □



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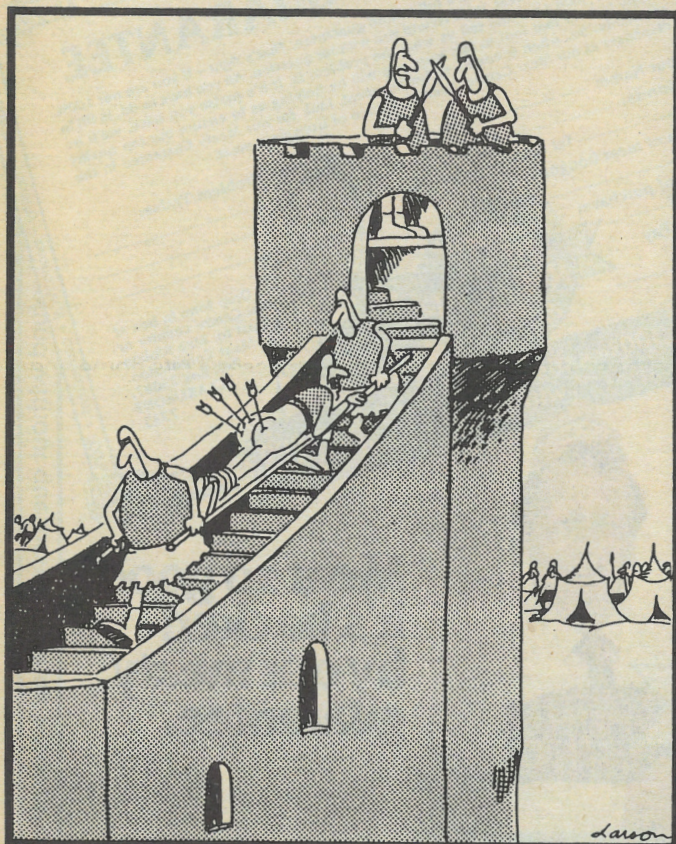
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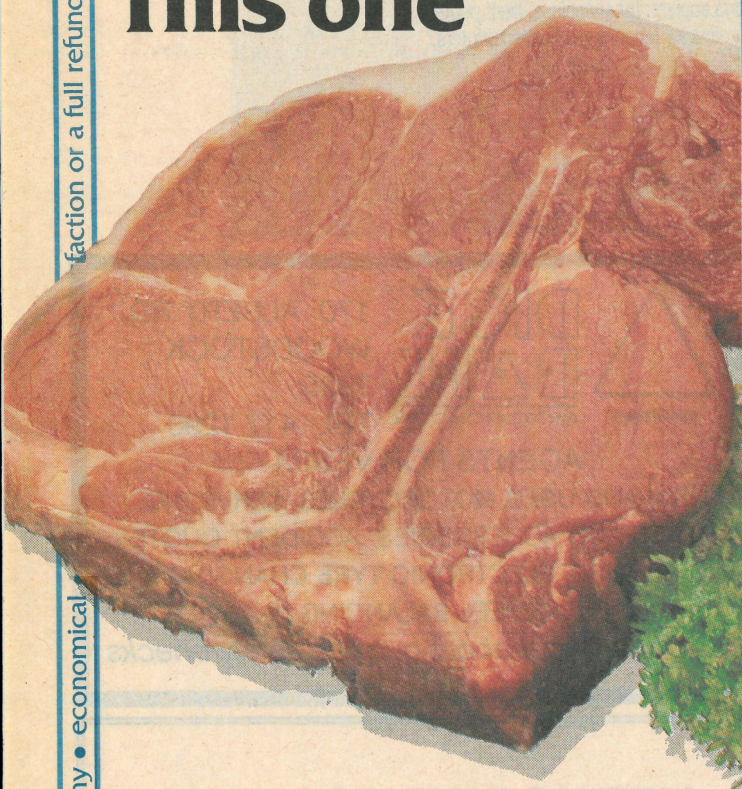
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1 000 300 000 000 BC:	Not much change. Dormant gases continue to be dormant.
2 500 BC:	Gases remain dormant. Silent period.
360 BC:	Relatively short period of still, dormant gas.
105 AD:	Gas dormancy interrupted by noiselessness.
1501 AD:	Gas enters new period of tranquility and quietness.
1982 AD:	Object with antennae from earth appears in sky.
1982 AD (later on):	Object with antennae flies straight past.
1982 AD (even later on)	All quiet and restful again after the excitement. <input type="checkbox"/>

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Tenth	Scorching
Twentieth	Mirage
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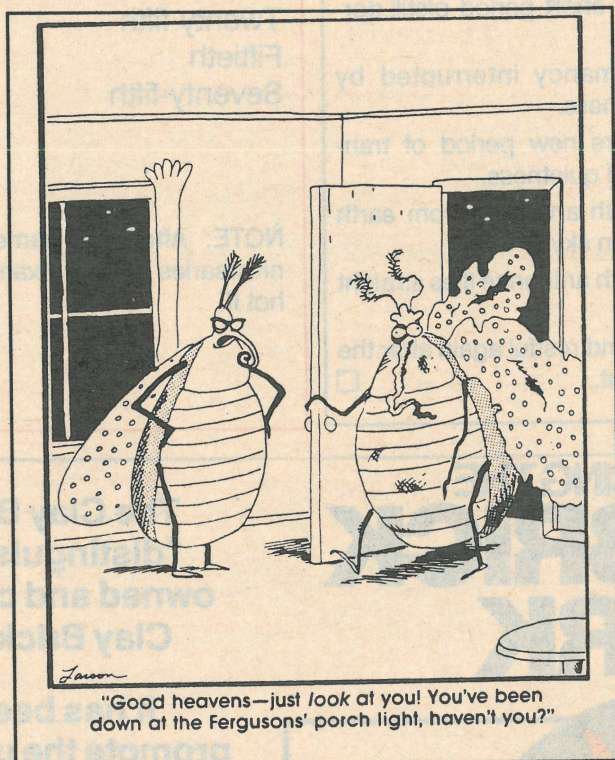
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"Well sir", said Van sheepishly, "When a bird flew over and sh*t on my branches, I didn't move. When a dog walked past and peed on my trunk, I didn't move. BUT when two squirrels ran up my legs and said 'should we eat the one now and save the other one for later', I HAD to move!"



There were five of us in the doctor's waiting room, when in walked a Black man. He was just about to walk straight into the surgery when an elderly Afrikaans woman jumped up and grabbed his arm, saying in very deliberate Afrikaans: "Ons is voor jou. Sta in die tou verstaan?". The black man, in equally deliberate Afrikaans, replied: "Nee, u is agter my. Ek dokter. Verstaan?"

What's the difference between Elizabeth Taylor and a Guernsey cow? Fifteen pounds and eight husbands.

A bearded man stuck a gun in the pilot's back and hissed: "Take me to London."

Pilot: "But we're supposed to go to London, anyway."

Bearded man: "I know, but I've been hi-jacked to Cuba twice before, so this time I'm taking no chances."

Said a hedgehog finding itself on top of a scrubbing brush: "Well, we all make mistakes, don't we?"

Timothy Tittle, a rather shy middle-aged bloke was approached by a rather fugitive looking man in the back streets of Soho one day.

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"Certainly not!" Replied Tim. "I don't even own a pornograph."

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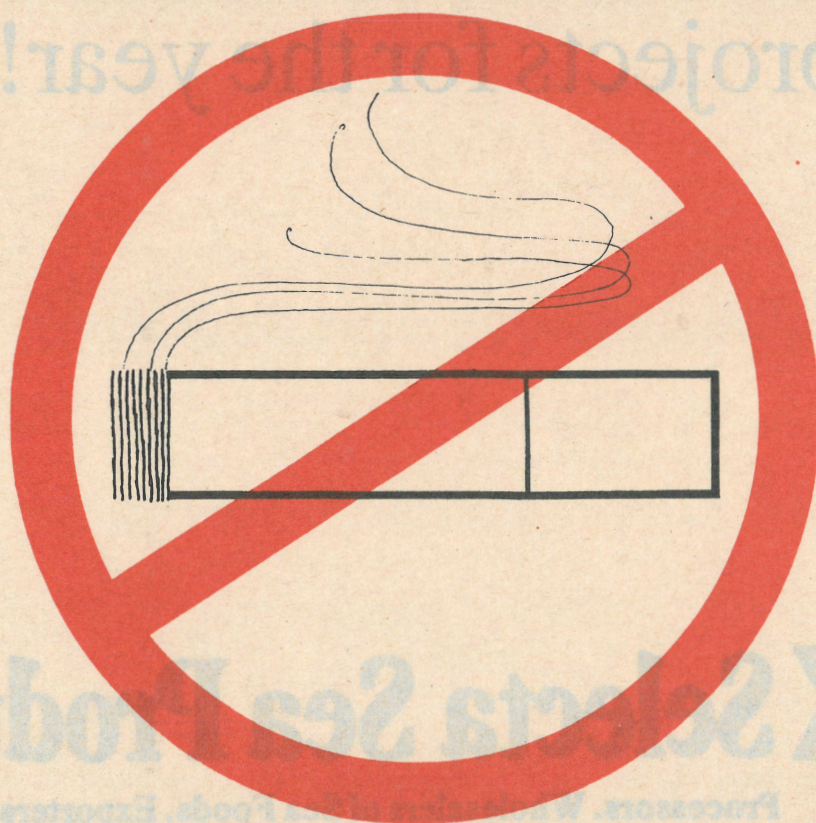
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EXPLORATION

THE GREAT NATIONAL CATASTROPHIC EXPEDITION IN SEARCH OF THE SWEET, RARE WINES OF THE NOUPOORT REGION

by David Biggs, international explorer and addict.

Many will question our decision to travel the arid wastelands of Laingsberg and the thirstlands of Beaufort West, north to Richmond and on to the tiny mountain enclave of Noupoot (originally named Naauwpoort by early Dutch explorers, who couldn't spell) to sample the rare wines of the area.

It was foolhardy, they will say, to expose oneself to such hazards in the pursuit of a vague promise of free drink.

But true exploration does not allow itself to be daunted by mere danger. We had heard of the isolated vineyards of the Noupoot Mountains and were determined to discover whether they did, in fact, exist, or were merely the product of thirst-warped imaginations.

Many travellers have perished in this desert fastness, and archaeologists have discovered skeletons of earlier explorers, bleached by the hot Karoo sun and still clutching the rusting remains of Castle Lager cans. It's hell out there.

Shunning the direct route from Noupoot to the winelands of the area, because there's a ruddy great mountain in the way, we chose the tortuous track through Pampoenpoort Pass, hardly used, save for the tough little farm bakkies (called 'Isuzus' in the local patois) picking their way to the trading stores for supplies of Castle beer, Perrier water and other basic essentials to support their simple lifestyles.

No expedition of this nature can succeed without careful preparation. We had sent advance parties ahead to arrange supply bases at Hanover, Richmond and Noupoot, and were able to stock up with much needed medical supplies to guard against dehydration, the scourge of this inhospitable area.

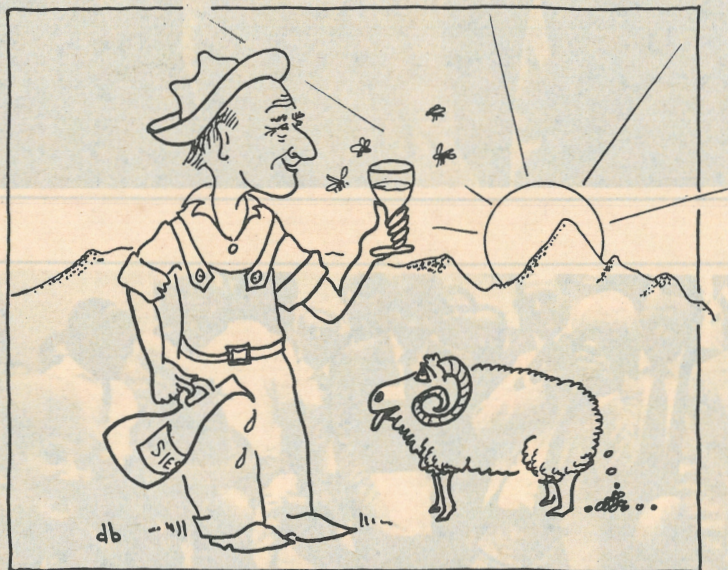
But from Noupoot we were to be on our own, completely cut off from civilisation. From here, for 40 merciless

kilometres of mountain territory, there would be not a single barmaid or barman.

Not even a married one.

Undaunted, we determined to press on.

That final push took us more than 30 gruelling, heart-stopping minutes to complete. Along the route we encountered traces of earlier expeditions — empty beer cans, abandoned wine bottles and even an abandoned donkey, so riddled with apathy that it was unable even to raise its head in reply to our hooted greeting.



At last, as the golden Karoo sun set behind the jagged peaks of the Kikforsberg, our expedition reached its goal — the fabled winelands of Noupoot.

After an exhausted night's sleep we were at last taken to view the precious glass storage tanks of which we had heard so much. Each of these vast rectangular tanks, containing no less than five litres of liquid, is engraved with the

curious legend: "First National Batteries — two volts." Here the maturing wine is allowed to sleep for countless ages — sometimes as long as six or seven months — before it is allowed into the dusty hands and throats of local connoisseurs.

So the rare wine of Noupoot really does exist!

Winemaker Norman Biggs — a veteran of more than eighty vintages — divulged some of the secrets of his golden nectar to us.

"The main thing is to stop the baboons from eating the grapes," he explained. "Then, if you have managed to rescue any bunches, you put them in the wife's mincer to get the juice out. We tried stamping the grapes with our feet, like they do in the Cape, but it made our socks very

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sticky and this attracted the flies. I suppose you Cape people don't wear socks very much, but we are modern chaps up here in the mountains.

"The juice is allowed to go vrot in the glass jars, and we use these traditional plywood lids to keep the flies out. The lids are fixed to the jars in the age-old manner, with contact adhesive.

"Of course, there are trade secrets, like how to keep the contact adhesive out of the juice.

"That's such a precious secret that not even we have discovered it. Still, the glue adds an interesting flavour."

Later, as the golden Karoo sun sets over the jagged peaks of a passing sheep, we were able to sample this mysterious liquid.

The verdict?

"Sies! Pass the Castle."



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Cape Times, August 18 1959.

In an interview a few days later the manager of City Tramways denied that people were confused by the new arrangement.

Drawn from Ben MacLennan's "Apartheid, the lighter side". Originally drawn from The Cape Times.



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appeared. GAAP was pleased with what He saw. Then He separated the left from the right, and He named the left 'Debit' and the right 'Credit'. Debit was passed and credit followed-that was the first statement.

Then GAAP commanded, "Let there be order to our numbers"-and it was done. The numbers ordered themselves into real and nominal. GAAP saw what was done and was pleased. He called the real numbers 'Income' and the others 'Balance Sheet'.

Then GAAP, feeling that more could be done, created ledgers, both subsidiary and general-and the numbers were ordered. Thus ended the second and third statements.

Then GAAP commanded, "Let the numbers from income and balance come together in one place so that balances will appear to determine source and application of funds"-and it was done. GAAP saw that this was not good, and was not pleased, so he flew into a mild rage and numbers flew all over the place (GAAP's friend PAAB saw this and thought it was good. He invented auditing and made lots of money).

GAAP then commanded, "Let the disorder of source and applications be replaced by ordered cash-flow statements." However, this took a long time to do as He had also on the side developed little grey men called CA's to implement His will.

On the lunchtime of the fifth day, GAAP surveyed all that was His, and feeling justly pleased, He called it a week and rushed off to squeeze in a quick round of golf before the light faded. □

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LANGUAGES

OUR CRAZY LANGUAGE

By Richard Lederer

English is the most widely used language in the history of our planet. One in every seven human beings can speak it. More than half the world's books and three-quarters of international postal items are in English. Of all the languages English has the largest vocabulary—perhaps as many as two **million** words—and one of the noblest bodies of literature.

Nonetheless, let's face it: English is a crazy language. There is no egg in eggplant, neither pine nor apple in pineapple and no ham in a hamburger. English muffins weren't invented in England or french fries in France. Sweetmeats are sweets, while sweetbreads, which aren't sweet, are meat. We take English for granted. But when we explore its paradoxes, we find that quicksand can work slowly, boxing rings are square, and a guinea pig is neither a pig nor from Guinea.

And why is it that a writer writes, but fingers don't fing, grocers don't groce and hammers don't ham? If the plural of tooth is teeth, shouldn't the plural of booth be beeth? One goose, two geese—so one moose, two meese? One index, two indices—one Kleenex, two Kleenices?

Doesn't it seem crazy that you can make amends but not just one amend, that you comb through the annals of history but not just one annal? If you have a bunch of odds and ends and you get rid of all but one, what do you call it?

If the teacher taught, why isn't it true that the preacher praught? If a horsehair mat is made from the hair of horses and a camelhair coat from the hair of camels, from what is a mohair coat made? If a vegetarian eats vegetables, what does a humanitarian eat? If you wrote a letter, perhaps you also bote you tongue?

Sometimes I wonder if all English speakers should be committed to an asylum for the verbally insane. In what other language do people recite at a play and play at a recital? Ship by truck and send cargo by ship? Have noses that run and feet that smell?

How can a slim chance and a fat chance be the same, while a wise man and a wise guy are opposites? How can **overlook** and **oversee** be opposites, while **quite a lot** and **quite a few** are alike? How can the weather be hot as hell one day and cold as hell the next?

Did you ever notice that we talk about certain things only when they are absent? Have you ever seen a horseful carriage or a strapful gown, met a sung hero or experienced requited love? Have you ever run into someone who was grunted, ruly or peccable?

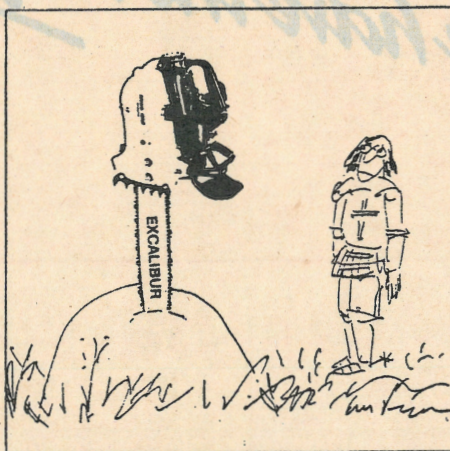
And where are the people who **are** spring chickens or who actually **would** hurt a fly? I meet individuals who **can** cut the mustard and whom I **would** touch with a bargepole, but I cannot talk about them in English.

You have to marvel at the unique lunacy of a language in which your house can burn up as it burns down, in which you fill in a form by filling it out and in which your alarm clock goes off by going on.

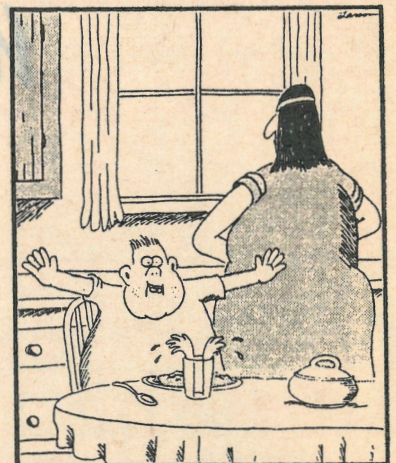
English was invented by people, not computers, and it reflects the creativity of the human race (which, of course, isn't really a race at all). That is why, when stars are out they are visible, but when the lights are out they are invisible. And why, when I wind up my watch I start it, but when I wind up this essay I end it. □



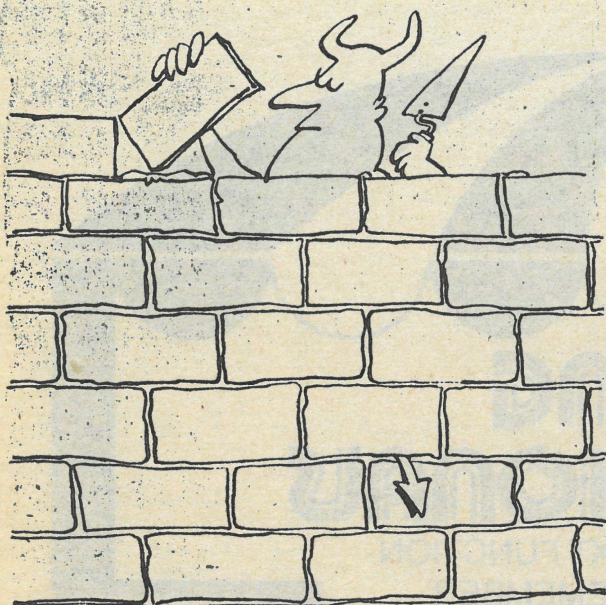
"Pretty cool, Dewey. ... Hey! Shake the jar and see if they'll fight!"



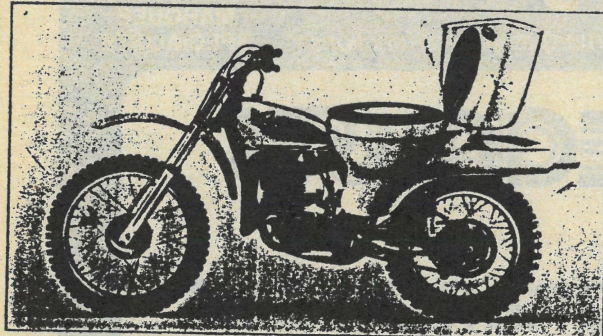
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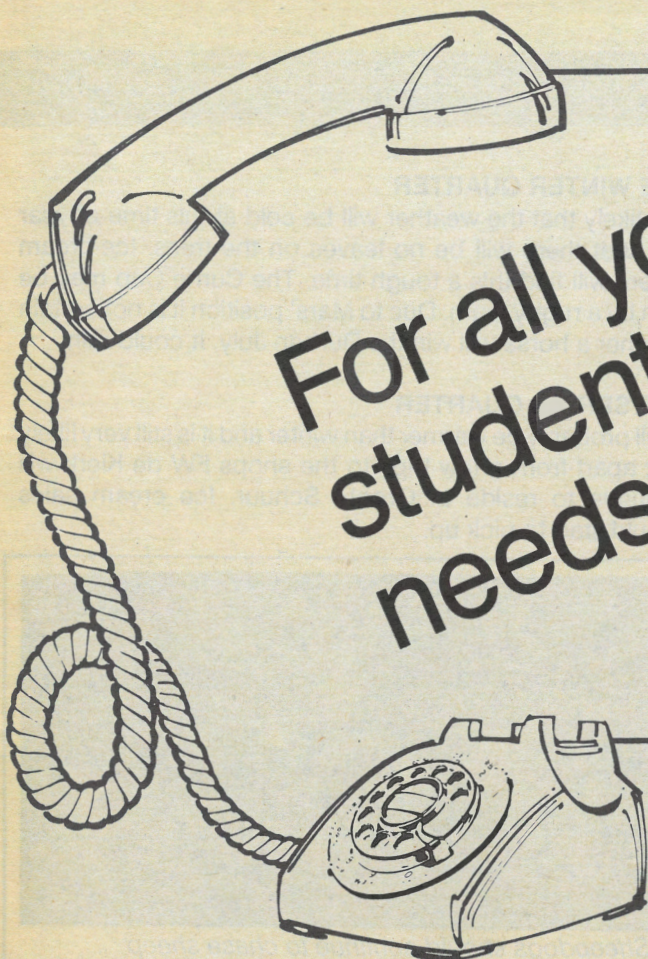
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THE SUMMER QUARTER

This could be the warmest part of the year. The conjunction of Venus and Saturn suggests that French will remain the national language of France. It is likely that FW de Klerk will still reside at Groote Schuur. Boerewors sales should remain high and ice-cream sales are expected to pick up.

THE AUTUMN QUARTER

Cooler than it was in summer. It's very likely that the leaves will start falling off the trees. Mr Mandela will continue to assume the name Nelson.

THE WINTER QUARTER

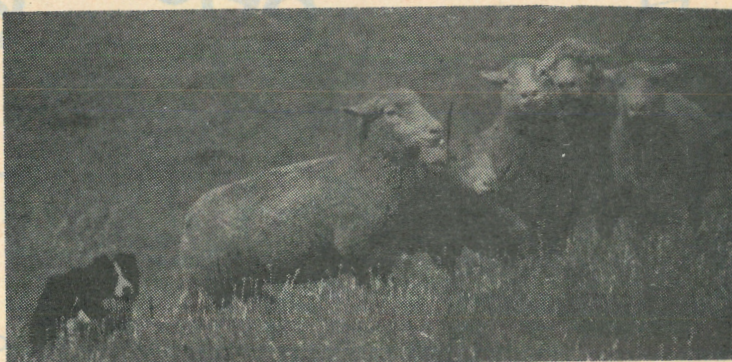
It is likely that the weather will be cold at this time of year and that there will be no leaves on the trees. Ice-cream sellers will find this a tough time. The Currie Cup may be won by a rugby team. Due to Mars' position it is not certain whether a horse will win the Durban July. It could rain.

THE SPRING QUARTER

It will probably be warmer than winter and it is still very likely that apart from a few trips to the shops FW de Klerk will continue to reside at Groote Schuur. Ice cream sales should start to pick up.



This year a horse may not win the Durban July



Sheepdogs should continue to chase sheep



Fattis and Monis demonstrate new industrial spaghetti machine in City Centre. The quality of the pasta will be tested by throwing a strand at the Town Hall to see if it sticks. The scheme is the brainchild of local chef J-T Flaced.



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You'll feel America pounding in your heart. ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★
You might decide to light another Winston, ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★
then turn around and head back to the start. ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



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